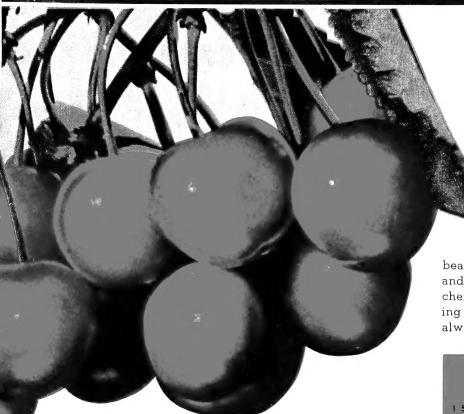
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# Montmorency CHERRY

#### WORLD'S FINEST SOUR CHERRY

LARGE MONTMORENCY — The largest and best Sour Cherry grown for market and canning. Preferred by canners and pie makers everywhere. Deliciously sub-acid, it is good to eat from the tree, beautiful dark red, very firm, the best Sour Cherries. Montmorency is a regular

bearer of enormous crops, brings good prices and ships well, in fact, is the best market cherry. Montmorency has remarkable keeping quality, on the tree and after picked, always a top notcher.

(for other cherries see page 6 and 7)

# SPECIAL OFFER Jumbo Size Cherry Trees

1 Schmidts, black sweet cherry Both \$ 7.95

1 Montmorency, sour cherry

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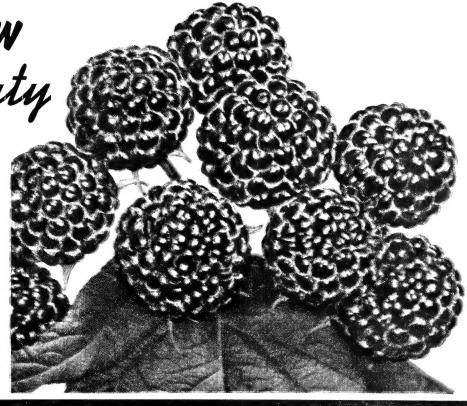
Black Beauty

# EVERBEARING BLACK RASPBERRY

Nothing else like it. The first true everbearing black raspberry offered for sale. Black Beauty has all of the qualities of the best black raspberries besides being an everbearer. This means you will pick two big crops of fruit in the same year plus delicious berries all summer long. The berries are a very good size and excellent quality. Black Beauty is a vigorous grower and very hardy. Sensational new Black Beauty Everbearing Black Raspberry can be bought only from ZILKE BROTHERS NURSERY. Full description on page 21.

Black Beauty Everbearing Black Raspberry Plants are Limited so Order Immediately.

5 Plants For \$2.75
12 Plants For \$5.50
(Limit 12 Plants To A Customer)



Zilke Brothers Nursery - Baroda, Michigan

# Combination FRUIT TREES



# DWARF FRUIT TREES

### **DWARF PEAR TREES** Bear Big Fruit In Small Space

Dwarf Bartlett — dwarf pear trees seldom grow more than 6 to 10 ft. tall. Trees bear full size fruit. Are ideal for small gardens. Dwarf Bartlett pears are large, beautiful, waxy yellow pears with a red blush. Flesh is white, fine textured, sweet, juicy, and full of flavor. Ideal for fresh desserts, canning, shipping, or

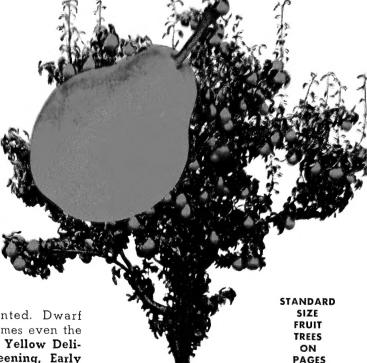
PRICES: Hardy 3 year, 3 to 4 ft. trees. \$2.00 each. 3 for \$5.00.

#### **DWARF APPLE TREES**

Dwarf apple trees seldom grow more than 10 to 15 feet tall. Will bear full size, delicious apples. Can be worked into the landscape

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PRICES: STRONG 4 Yr., 5 to 6 Ft. TREES \$3.50 each; 2 for \$6.50; 5 for \$15.00.



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# The Zilke Guarantee of Satisfaction

We guarantee all plants and trees sold by us to be State Inspected and apparently free from disease and insect pests. We also guarantee them true-to-name, and will replace, free of charge any that may prove otherwise through possible error.



Rudolph H. Zilke, Jr.

We guarantee all plants, trees, shrubs, bulbs and seeds to reach you in good growing condition or will re-place any stock that arrives in poor condition, if we are notified within five days after you receive the shipment. It is mutually agreed between ourselves and the customers that we shall not be liable for more than the original purchase price.

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Elmer H. Zilke

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Most Nursery Stock is Very Scarce This Year. Please Do Not Wait Until Planting Time to Order. Plants, Trees, Shrubs, and Bulbs Will Be Reserved As Long As the Supply Lasts, and Shipped To You at the Proper Spring Planting Time. Please Order Now, As Soon As You Receive This Catalog. You Will Be Saving 10%, and Be Sure of Getting What You Want.

10% DISCOUNT ON CASH ORDERS MAILED BEFORE MARCH 5, 1951 5% DISCOUNT ON CASH ORDERS MAILED BEFORE MARCH 31, 1951

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Chas. Figy, Commissioner, Lansing, Mich.

Bureau of Agricultural Industry

C. A. Boyer, Director

August 14, 1950

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It's our business to save you every cent we can on your nursery stock. It is also our business to send you the very best that can be grown. Another part of our business is to see that you are perfectly satisfied. We do not care how many plants you can get for a dollar, if they are not good, healthy, strong plants or if they do not reach you in good growing condition, you have not received your money's worth and you are not going to be satisfied, are you?

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Dear Friend Customer:

As this is our only salesman, we again take pleasure in coming to you with this small catalog of big nursery bargains. We again offer you the highest quality hardy northern grown stock at wholesale prices. Through these annual catalogs and your business with us we feel acquainted with you. Whether your order is for \$1.00 or \$50.00 it will receive our personal attention and you will get a square deal.

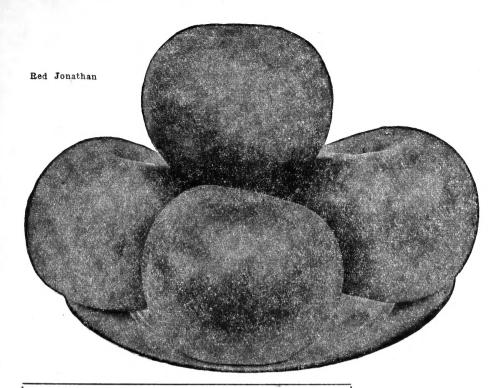
You probably will receive a great number of catalogs this spring, listing many varieties of fruit of every description, but just remember that the Zilke Nursery is offering only the best of each class, the kinds that produce the most and best crops or fruits, that thrive and show the most natural disease resistance. Every plant, tree, shrub, and bulb that we offer is State inspected and free from disease.

Varieties are an important consideration in planning either your fruit garden or your ornamental planting. Some of the old varieties are still in first rank, but many must give up their places to the newer and finer kinds. We urge you to give the new Fairhaven Peach, Streamliner Everbearing Strawberry, Stanley Prune, Thornless Boysenberry, and the new Blueberry plants a fair trial. We feel sure you will be more than pleased with the results.

Here at the Zilke Nursery we utilize every known scientific method of selection, breeding, production and protection in shipment that will insure your getting perfect plants in perfect condition, with strong, fibrous roots for quick, sure growth.

It will be our constant study in the future, as it has been in the past, to give perfect satisfaction to our old customers as well as our new ones who entrust their order with us. Our success, we feel confident, depends wholly on the satisfaction we may be able to give our customer friends.

Yours very truly,



ZILKE'S
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#### JUMBO APPLE TREES

14/16 inch and up,  $5\frac{1}{2}$  to 7 ft. trees.

WE OFFER YOU THE FOLLOWING VARIETIES RED DELICIOUS - YELLOW DELICIOUS RED JONATHAN - STAYMAN'S WINESAP RED ASTRACHAN - YELLOW TRANSPARENT

\$1.85 Each; 3 For \$4.95; 10 For \$14.50

CORTLAND—New. Bears very young. Fruit large, beautiful dark red striped with carmine and yellow. Flesh fine grained, crisp, juicy, white and firm. Ripens about two weeks after McIntosh. Available only in 2 yr. 2½ to 3 foot, 65c each; 5 for \$3.00; 10 for \$5.50; 2 yr. 3 to 4 ft., 75c each; 5 for \$3.50; 10 for \$6.50.

**DOUBLE RED DELICIOUS**—A remarkable introduction of recent years, which has established its claim to first rank, both for commercial and home orchards. Fruit large; acid. Flesh fine grained, crisp, juicy, melting, and really delicious. Tree hardy, vigorous grower, producing enormous annual yields.

**LOD!**—The New Lodi ripens about the last of July. One of the very best early summer varieties, larger than Transparent, skin is clear white, changing to pale yellow when ripe. Flesh white, tender, subacid. An annual bearer that is becoming a commercial variety. Tends to bear very young. Available only in the 2 yr., 3 to 4 ft. size, 75c each; 5 for \$3.50; 10 for \$6.50.

MILTON—The tree is hardy, vigorous and an annual bearer. The fruits are pinkish red with a heavy bloom, most beautiful. The flesh is white, tender, crisp, juicy, and of McIntosh flavor but more sprightly. Milton is the handsomest of all the McIntosh tribe. Milton is like a McIntosh but ripens with Wealthy or a month before McIntosh. 2 yr. trees, 3 to 4 ft., \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.50.

**NEW DUNNING APPLE**—New Dunning is the earliest ripening good red sweet apple yet to be discovered. Ripens early in August. Very handsome red striped apple of

medium size, excellent quality. Recommended for a roadside market sort, being early, sweet and very attractive. Price, available only in 2 yr., 3-4 ft. trees, \$1.00 each.

**NEWFANE**—The shape is oblong-conic and the flesh tender, medium juicy, mildly flavored with a pronounced Delicious aroma. Newfane is a delicious dessert apple at Christmas time. Fruit is large in size and of a very attractive red color. 2 yr. 3 to 4 ft. trees, \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.50.

RED DUCHESS—The fruit resembles the Duchess except that the color is a solid red. Will polinate its parent. 2 yr. 3 to 4 ft. trees, \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.50.

RED JONATHAN—Bright, solid red. Flesh white, sometimes tinted with red; firm, fine, crisp and tender—a splendid family sort and highly profitable for market. Tree long lived, productive, and an early bearer. Will keep well without especial care, also stand much handling.

**RED ASTRACHAN**—Well-known old sort, large and roundish. Crimson color; juicy, rich acid flavor. A vigorous grower with dark foliage. August.

**STAYMAN'S WINESAP**—Fruit large, bright red color. Flesh tinged with yellow; firm, crisp with pleasant, rich and acid flavor appealing to everyone.

yellow delicious—Best yellow apple. Waxy golden color. Luscious flavor, finest in the world. Bears fruit very young. Keeps until late spring without becoming mealy. Very hardy.

YELLOW TRANSPARENT—Ripens in July. One of the very best early varieties. Skin is clear white, changing to pale yellow when ripe. Flesh white, tender, subacid.

DOLGA CRAB APPLE—Dazzling bright red crab apple. The very best crab apple for bright red jelly and jells very easy, nothing like it. Good to eat and beautiful in appearance. Very hardy and produces heavily. Thrives anywhere. Bears young. 2 yr. trees,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to 3 ft., 85c each; 3 to 4 ft., \$1.15 each.

APPLE TREE PRICES	1	5	10	25
7/16 to 9/16, (about 3 to 4 ft. tall)	\$0.80	\$3.50	\$6.00	\$12.50
9/16 to 11 16, (about 4 to 5 ft. tall)	90	4.00	6.75	15.00
SPECIAL SUPER SIZE, 11/16 AND UP	1.05	4.75	8.25	18.75
OUR TREES ARE WELL BRANCHED A	AND HE	AVY RO	OTED	

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# ZILKE'S CHERRY TREES ARE BETTER

SCHMIDT'S, WINDSOR, AND BING PRICES 25 10 100 5 7/16 to 9/16 Caliper, about 3 to 4 feet ....\$1.25 \$5.50 \$10.00 \$23.75 \$90.00 9/16 to 11/16 Caliper about 4 to 5 feet .... 1.50 6.50 12.50 28.75 110.00 11/16 to 14/16 Caliper 8.75 16.50 38.75 145.00 about 5 ft. and up .. 1.85 THESE TREES ARE WELL BRANCHED AND HAVE EXCELLENT ROOTS

# **Plant Big Trees for Quickest Results**

### SWEET CHERRIES

SCHMIDT'S BIGGAREAU—The Black Giant of Sweet Cherries. A splendid market or home use cherry, because of its attractive and all around good qualities. Considered one of the very best of the Black Sweet Cherries. Delicious to eat, fresh and canned and very attractive. Fruit grows in large clusters. Keeps well and is an excellent shipper. In size it is very large, usually unsurpassed by any black sweet cherry. Bears fruit very young, hardy and a sure cropper. We recommend this variety very highly. For prices see top of page.

windsor—One of the best quality dark cherries, often referred to as Black Oxheart. Has pinkish flesh and almost black skin. Large, juicy and firm. Delicious to eat, fresh and wonderful for canning. Used extensively for fancy preserving. Tree grows upright and is a rapid and vigorous grower. A good variety. For Prices see top of page.

NAPOLEON (Royal Ann)—Of fine appearance and very largest size. Color yellow and amber, with bright red blush; flesh firm, juicy and delicious. Profitable for market, finding a ready sale, for canning and dessert. Ripens in July. Heavy 3 to 4 foot trees, \$1.60 each; 4 to 6 ft., \$2.15.

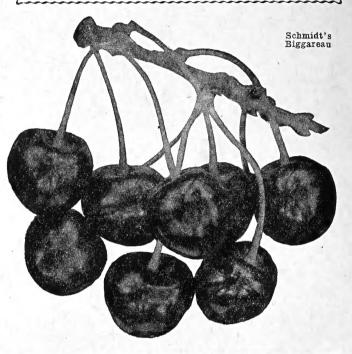
BLACK BING—This black Cherry bears fruit of large size and deep color. Flesh very solid, flavor of the highest quality; tree thrifty, upright grower, very hardy and productive; a fine shipping and market variety. Also excellent for drying and home canning. May be used for locker storage after quick freezing. Always brings top prices on the market due to its large size and deep color. For prices see top of page.

NOIR DE GUBEN—This variety has been grown in Europe for many years, it is a reddish black cherry of good size, crops abundantly. The flesh is firm, juicy, very sweet and aromatic. It is a cherry of the Schmidt's type, a little earlier in season. The tree is vigorous, thrifty grower, healthy, and productive. It is a choicely good cherry for home and roadside trade. Special Super Size Trees, \$1.95 Each; 3 for \$5.25.

SCHRECKEN BIGGAREAU—It is a large heart-shaped glossy black cherry, handsome in appearance. The flesh is melting but firmer than the early-ripening sweets, moderately sweet, and full of aromatic dark-colored juice. Ripens with Black Tartarian but is much larger in size and firmer flesh makes this variety much more valuable than Tartarian. The tree is vigorous and productive. Strong 4 to 5 foot trees, \$1.75 each.

EMPEROR FRANCIS—Ripens 3 or 4 days before Napoleon and holds well to the tree, promises to be one of the best main-crop sweet cherries. Fruit is large and of the highest quality, less subject to cracking than those of Napoleon. The color of the two fruits is similar, except that those of Emperor Francis are a little redder and become darker. Strong Heavy Super Size Trees, \$2.15 Each; Jumbo Size Trees, 14/16 and up \$2.75 Each.

Plant Our Special Jumbo Size Cream of the Crop Cherry Trees and Save Several Years of Waiting for Fruit.



# NEW VICTORY CHERRY

SOLD ONLY BY ZILKE BROS. NURSERY

Our new subacid sour cherry which is sweeter than Montmorency. This new cherry does not have the bitter sour cherry taste, found in most sour cherries. Requires almost no sugar when canning. The tree is a very heavy yielder of beautiful bright fruit. Every family orchard should have at least 2 trees of the New Victory Cherry. Special Super Size, 11/16 and up, \$1.95 each; Heavy Jumbo Size Trees, 14/16 and up, \$2.75 each.

#### STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE BUREAU ORCHARD AND NURSERY INSPECTION BUDWOOD CERTIFICATION CERTIFICATE

No. 17

This is to certify that the Stone Fruit Stock of Zilke Bros. Nursery (Cherry Scionwood), Baroda, has been propagated from virus disease free budwood, and is apparently free from dangerous insects and dangerously contagious fruit diseases.

Date of Inspection 10-11-1950 Fee paid \$10.00 Chas. Figy Commissioner

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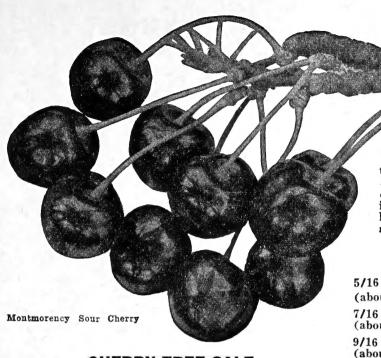
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#### JUMBO SWEET CHERRY

14/16 Inch and Up, 5½ to 7 Foot Trees SCHMIDT'S BIGGAREAU WINDSOR

BLACK BING

\$2.75 Each; 3 For \$7.50; 5 FOR \$11.25



#### CHERRY TREE SALE

We have a limited number of Montmorency sour cherry Trees, from 12 to 20 inches tall, good rooted little trees, as long as our supply lasts, we offer them to you at the following prices: 5 for \$3.00; 10 for \$5.00; 25 for \$10.00.

# ZILKE'S NEW COMBINATION CHERRY ORCHARD ON ONE TREE

4 Varieties, 3 Sweets and 1 Sour, on the same tree

This special combination cherry tree has been budded to 4 of the best varieties of cherries to meet the requirements of the small home owner who has little space to devote to fruit trees.

FOLLOWING 4 VARIETIES ON ONE TREE

BLACK SWEET CHERRY, (Schmidts)
(best large black variety)

RED SWEET CHERRY, (Windsor) (best large red variety)

YELLOW SWEET CHERRY (Napoleon) (best large yellow variety)

RED SOUR CHERRY, (Montmorency)
(main variety, pie cherry)

THESE SPECIAL TREES ARE 3 YR. OLD (about 4 to 6 ft. tall)

SPECIAL PRICE, ONLY \$7.95

#### STATE CERTIFIED TREES

We are located in Berrien County, one of the best sections for growing trees, we can produce some of the finest rooted sour cherry trees in the United States. We are budding only of the finest strains of Large Montmorency and our trees are certified by the state. Results from our Montmorency Cherry Trees speak from all parts of the country. Commercial growers from the cherry sections of Wisconsin and Michigan are coming here for their source. We are very proud of the excellent results, reported by our customers from our Super Rooted High Powered Trees.

# **SOUR CHERRY**

#### WORLD'S FINEST SOUR CHERRY

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### MONTMORENCY CHERRY TREE PRICES BRANCHED, WELL-ROOTED TREES

5/16 to 7/16 inch 1 (about 2 to 3 ft.)\$0.90	_	10		100
(about 2 to 3 It.)	\$4.00	91.20	\$14.JJ	\$94.00
7/16 to 9/16 inch (about 3 to 4 ft.) 1.10	4.75	8.25	17.45	62.50
9/16 to 11/16 inch (about 4 to 4½ ft.) 1.30	5.50	9.25	19.95	74.00
11/16 to 14/16 inch (about 4½ to 5 ft.) 1.60	7.00	12.25	23.50	89.00
Our Special Jumbo Size (about 5 to 6 ft.) 2.15	9.00	17.00		

On larger amounts ask for special prices.

# COMMERCIAL GROWERS

We raise Montmorency cherry trees by the thousands and can quote special prices to you folks in the commercial cherry growing sections who plant these trees in large quantities. If you are interested in quantities of 200 to 1,000 trees, it will pay you to come and see us or write us for prices on your requirements.

# ROYAL DUKE CHERRY

The trees are hardy, healthy, and productive. The cherries are large, handsome, dark red, well scattered along the branches, pleasantly flavored, and very good in quality. Royal Duke has a place in home orchards, for roadside and local markets—everyone likes a Duke. Special Super Size Trees, 11/16 and up, \$1.95 each.

# **NEW NANKING CHERRY**

Originated by the Minnesota Fruit Breeding Farm. Especially selected and bred for the excellence and abundance of their fruit, as well as for their beauty as ornamental shrubs.

Bears great crops of fine cherries. Fruit is so abund-

ant it takes but a few minutes to pick a quart or two in your own yard for making fresh cherry pie or sparkling jell.

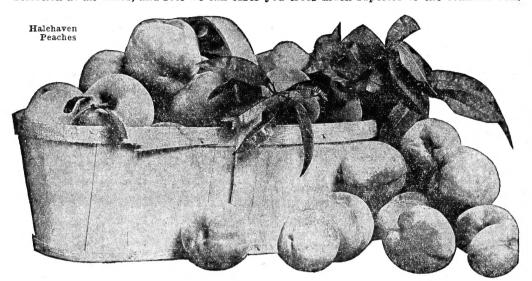
The shapely bushes grow 7 ft. tall, work well into a planting about the house or shrub border. Apple-blossom pink buds appear very early and open to pure white. Nanking starts bearing 3rd year and by the 4th season branches are literally covered with bright red fruit of superb quality for pies, preserves, jam or jell. Order at least two plants to insure pol-



lination. Strong 18-24 inch transplants. 85c each, 2 for \$1.60.

# HARDY NORTHERN GROWN PEACH TREES

You can depend on Zilke's Trees to be absolutely true-to-name, perfectly healthy, vigorous, well-grown, with well-shaped ripened wood and full splendid root system. Zilke's Peach trees are grown from buds taken from special selected superior strains. We do not grow our trees from buds taken from the nursery row. We practice bud selection at all times, and feel we can offer you trees much superior to the common run.



Plant Our
Special Super
Size Cream of
the Crop
Peach Trees
and Save
Several Years
of Waiting for
Fruit.

# HALEHAVEN

#### BEST YELLOW FREESTONE

Truly a marvel among Peaches. Second only to Elberta in popular demand. A cross between J. H. Hale and South Haven. Colors on the tree to a rich orange overspread with red, before ripening. Combines the large size and firmness of Hale with the perfect fertility of South Haven. Freestone. Ripens about two weeks earlier than Elberta. Trees grow rapidly, bear young, producing heavily, never failed a crop.

Very Hardy and the Best Yellow Freestone Peach We Have Ever Seen. You Make no Mistake When You Plant Halehaven.

For Prices See Bottom Of Page

### ELBERTA

#### THE MONEY MAKER

There is no other peach which has ever attained the popularity of this variety. It is planted from the south to the north, from the east to the west, where a commercial peach is desired. It is probably too well known for any lengthy description. However, it is roundish in shape, golden yellow skin with a slightly red blush on the cheek. It is very thickly skinned, which gives it its shipping qualities. It is a freestone and a self-pollinizer. Enormous producer.

For Prices See Bottom Of Page

#### REDHAVEN

#### EARLIEST, DAZZLING ALL-RED SELF-POLLINIZ-ING PEACH. QUALITY UNSURPASSED

Redhaven matures very early, about a month before Elberta. Fruit medium in size, of slightly elongated shape, and almost completely covered with a brilliant red color. Skin is smooth and tough. Flesh yellow, firm, fine textured, sweet, and of good quality. A perfectly fertile variety and freestone. It is safe to classify Redhaven as the outstanding early peach of tomorrow. Be the first in your locality to possess this rare and most profitable variety.

# J. H. HALE

# AN EXTRA-LARGE, HIGHLY PRIZED CANNING AND EATING PEACH

The peach is extra large in size, round in shape, with a yellow flesh and deeply flushed cheeks. It is quite highly prized as a canning variety due to the fact that it has a red center, thus presenting a fine appearance when canned. Freestone and semi-fertile. It should be planted with other varieties for pollinizing purposes.

For Prices See Bottom Of Page

# **GOLDEN JUBILEE**

#### EXTRA EARLY, BEAUTIFUL, MONEY MAKER

Golden Jubilee has become immensely popular in all sections. It is somewhat oblong in shape, and has a brilliant golden color with a red cheek on one side. It is golden fleshed, very juicy, and is a freestone. It is a perfect pollinizer and the tree is extremely hardy—produces fruit when other trees will be frozen.

For Prices See Bottom Of Page

#### **IMPORTANT**

In ordering Nursery Stock from Zilke's you are assured of getting stock that is absolutely fresh in every way. Compare fresh trees with those that are kept in storage and a dry condition for three or four months, and see the difference. We absolutely guarantee all trees to be fresh, and arrive in perfect condition.

### **ELBERTA RED**

Elberta-Red is almost identical to Elberta in tree and fruit but ripens about ten days earlier, very rich in flavor, sweet, and free from all bitterness. Excellent for canning and a good long distance shipper. Will be valuable commercial variety due to its bright red color which always commands a premium price over all other varieties. Prices at bottom of page.

# PRICES FOR J. H. HALE, ELBERTA, GOLDEN JUBILEE, HALEHAVEN, AMBER GEM, REDHAVEN, ELBERTA RED AND ROCHESTER

		5		25	
7/16 to 9/16 (about 3 to 4 ft. tall)	80.80	\$3.75	\$5.75	\$12.50	
9/16 to 11/16 (about 4 to 5 ft. tall)	.90	4.25	-	15.25	
SPECIAL SUPER SIZE, 11/16 AND UP	1.10	5.00	8.75	18 25	

FOR JUMBO PEACH TREES SEE PAGE 9

# ZILKE'S HARDY NORTHERN GROWN TREES ARE BEST

# Get the Most from Your Orchard by Ordering Trees from Zilke's

Zilke's Peach Trees are all grown on 2-yr. old roots, well-branched, very heavily rooted. Our buds are selected from the finest orchards and special trees. We do not cut our propagating buds from young trees which have never produced fruit.



# **NEW FAIRHAVEN**

The season of maturity of Fairhaven is about a week before Halehaven or the finish of Golden Jubilee. The original tree has produced heavy crops of fruit since 1939 at the South Haven Experiment Station, fruit buds are fully as hardy as Halehaven. Fairhaven has the same tendency for heavy fruit setting as Halehaven and Redhaven, but produces fruits of larger size than these two varieties under heavily loaded conditions, is very dependable. Fruits of Fairhaven are good size, nearly round, and mostly bright gold in color, with an attractive bright red cheek. The skin is smooth and very tough. The golden color becomes bright while the fruit is still firm. The fruits are very firm and ship exceptionally well for an early peach. The flesh is mediumyellow with a moderate amount of red color at the pit, moderately fine-textured and of good flavor. It resists browning, which is a great advantage, especially in processing. FREESTONE. For prices see bottom of page.

Plant Our Special Jumbo Size Cream of the Crop Peach Trees and Save Several Years of Waiting for Fruit.

### JUMBO PEACH TREES

We Have a Limited Amount of Peach
Trees in the Jumbo Size
ELBERTA FAIRHAVEN
HALEHAVEN ROCHESTER
GOLDEN JUBILEE AMBER GEM
\$1.75 Each; 3 For \$4.95; 5 For \$7.75

# ROCHESTER

A yellow freestone Peach having the exceptional merit of being early, ripening about August 10th; extraordinarily sweet and early bearing. In other respects it compares favorably with the best standard varieties. Fruit is large, yellow in color, prettily blushed. Flesh sweet, juicy and of delicious flavor. It keeps and ships well. Tree a vigorous grower, hardy and an annual and prolific bearer. Season three weeks before Elberta. For prices see page 8.

# AMBER GEM

THE CANNERS' DELIGHT

This grand new variety is a semi-cling; shaped like an Elberta and ripens same time. Beautiful yellow flesh with deep red blush: delicious honey-sweet flavor. Will

blush; delicious honey-sweet flavor. Will hang on the tree from ten days to two weeks after it ripens. Truly one of the largest peaches we have ever seen. One of the best canning varieties known at the present time—used extensively by all canning factories. It is extremely hardy and very productive. Excellent variety for long distance shipping as it will keep several days after being picked. For prices see bottom of page 8.

# 8 Reasons Why You Should Plant Fairhaven This Spring

Because the tree is a strong grower and fruits heavy. Because it ripens 1 week earlier than Halehaven. Because its production record has been remarkably good.

Because of its very good color and a bright red cheek. Because the skin is smooth, and very tough, stands handling well.

Because its color becomes bright red while fruit is still firm.

firm.

Because very firm, ships exceptionally well for an early

BECAUSE OUR BUDS CAME DIRECT FROM THE EXPERIMENTAL STATION.

# FAIRHAVEN PEACH TREE PRICES

740 . 040 . 1	1	5	10	25			
7/16 to 9/16, (about 3-4 ft.)	\$0.85	\$3.85	\$5.90	\$12.75			
9/16 to 11/16. (about 4-5 ft.)	.95	4.50	7.25	15.75			
SUPER SIZE	1.15	5.25	9.00	18.50			

# ZILKE'S WHOLE-ROOT PLUM TREES ARE BEST

PLUM TREE PRICES

2 YEAR OLD TREES	1	5	10	25
7/16 to 9/16, 3 to 4 ft.	\$1.00	\$4.50	\$8.50	\$18.75
9/16 to 11/16, 4 to 41/2 ft.		5.25	9.50	22.50
11/16 UP, SUPER SIZE	1.65	8.00	15.00	

FOR LARGER AMOUNTS WRITE FOR SPECIAL PRICES



# "NO STORAGE STOCK"

In ordering Nursery Stock from Zilke's you are assured of getting stock that is absolutely fresh in every way. Compare fresh trees with those that are kept in storage and a dry condition for three or four months, and see the difference. We absolutely guarantee all trees to be fresh, and arrive in perfect condition.

STANLEY PRUNE—The young bearing plum. This new purple (Prune) plum is superior to all plums or prunes. It often comes into bearing the third year, and ripens ten days earlier than the German Prune. Very hardy, and a very thrifty grower. Fruits are large, bluish purple, sweet, rich and fine. Freestone. Excellent to eat fresh and best of all for canning. It's also a moneymaker on the market. The best for commercial planting or home use. For prices, see top of page.

BURBANK—Early, about one week after Abundance. Large, cherry-red with thin lilac bloom. Flesh amber-yellow with rich, sugary flavor; high quality and very productive. A product of Burbank, the master plant breeder. Should be in every orchard. For prices, see top of page.

MONARCH—Very large, roundish oval. A very handsome, rich, purple Plum that has attained popularity more quickly than any other Plum of recent introduction. Flesh golden yellow, juicy and sweet. Tree strong grower, bears young and yields abundant crops. One of the most valuable. Ripens in October. Available in the 2 to 3 foot size trees only, 85c each; 3 for \$2.25.

**SANTA ROSA**—The tree is a prolific bearer of exceptionally large, round, purplish-red fruit; flesh red near skin, firm, juicy, and has a pleasing, tart flavor; of the highest quality. Ripens early. 2 yr. trees, Super Size, 11/16 and up, \$1.95 each.

# NEW SUPERIOR PLUM

Superior is a beautiful large plum, has a rich sweet flavor, fine for eating, canning or freezing. One of the HARD-IEST AND BEST JUMBO ORIGINATED PLUMS MINNESOTA. Trees hear young and heavily, fruits peel like a peach. The large fruit is dark red with heavy bloom, flesh yellow, tender, juicy. sprightly, sweet.

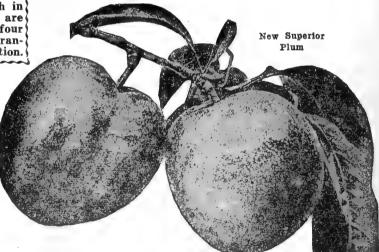
#### **JUMBO PLUM TREES**

We have a few BUR-BANK Plum trees in the JUMBO SIZE, while they last, we offer them at a special low price.

\$2.50 EACH

BLUE DAMSON—The rich preserving plum. Most popular preserving Plum. Small, dark blue fruit with vellow flesh. Becomes

fruit with yellow flesh. Becomes rich wine-purple when preserved. Highly flavored. Hardy, prolific, dependable shipper. Freestone. For prices, see top of page.



DUNKLEBERG—Great Canning Plum. Dark purpleblue plum with sweet yellow flesh, freestone. Tremendous bearer. Marvelous shipping and canning quality. Big money-maker. Very hardy, excellent pollinizer for other plum trees. Available in the 3 to 4 foot size trees only, \$1.15 each; 3 for \$3.00.

#### NOTICE

We cannot ship fruit trees into the following states: California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah and Washington.

# ZILKE'S PEAR TREES ARE BETTER

1951 PEAR TREE PRICES	. 5	10	25
7/16 to 9/16 (about 3-4 ft.)\$0.9	00 \$4.00	\$7.20	\$14.75
9/16 to 11/16 (about 4-5 ft.) 1.1	0 4.75	8.50	18.75
SUPER SIZE 11/16 AND UP 1.4		10.50	22.00
FOR LARGER AMOUNTS WRITE	FOR SPECI	AL PRIC	ES

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# BARTLETT

THE BEST SUMMER PEAR

There's hardly a person that doesn't know the Bartlett Pear and its qualities, as it is grown in, and is adaptable to all different climates, soils and situations. Fruit is large, golden yellow in color with a reddish blush on the sunny side. Flesh is tender and juicy, with a delicious musky aroma. Trees are vigorous, attain large size, bear young, live long, and barring frosts or freezes, they bear full crops year after year. Justly the leading commercial Pear—a leader among canning Pears. Fruit ripens early September. Prices above.

### KIEFFER

#### FAVORITE WINTER STORAGE PEAR

One of the largest best known Pears. One of the best canning varieties and is possibly planted in more home orchards than any other variety. One of the easiest Pears to grow, less subject to blight than many varieties, strong grower, early and prolific bearer. Golden background, with a red blush. Recommended not only for the home orchard, but for the local market and roadside stands. Ripens in late October. For Prices See Top of Page.

### **NEW BOSC**

#### THE LONG-NECK WINTER PEAR

A popular variety, and one of the best winter varieties. Fruit of artistic. long-necked shape, golden russet color, with juicy, white flesh. Can be kept in storage for use during the holidays. Trees are rather small-growing, but heavy yielders. 3 to 4 foot trees, \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$8.00.

# NEW SEEDLESS PEAR

THE PEAR WITHOUT A CORE OR SEEDS

The Pear without a fault! No seeds, no core, no waste! Solid fruit all the way through. Resembles Bartlett in appearance, but ripens 10 days later, producing its crop at a time when the market is not "glutted", thereby bringing highest prices. Thrifty grower, heavy bearer, blight resistant, grows on any soil. Best all-round Pear for commercial or home use. For Prices See Top of Page.



Bartlett Pear

14/16 Inch and Up, 51/2 to 7 Ft. Tall WE OFFER YOU THE FOLLOWING TREES IN THE JUMBO SIZE.

BARTLETT - KIEFFER - SEEDLESS

# BACKYARD PEAR ORCHARD ON 1 TREE

#### 4 KINDS OF PEARS ON SAME TREE

This special combination pear tree has been budded to 4 of the best varieties of pears, these varieties cover the whole pear fruiting season. This special tree will help the small back yard home owner, because it requires less space. By planting this 1 tree you will have the following varieties,

BARTLETT, Best early variety SEEDLESS PEAR. Medium early. NEW BOSC, Best medium late. KIEFFER, Very best late. HEAVY 4 TO 6 FT. TREES, 3 YR. OLD \$3.00 Each; 2 For \$5.50

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\$1.95 Each; 3 For \$5.25; 5 For \$8.00

# **NEW COVERT PEAR**

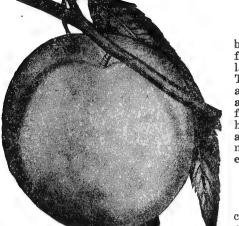
### THE NEW LATE IMPROVED BARTLETT

Covert is one of the largest of all cultivated pears. It resembles Bartlett in shape with the same roughened surface and has about the same green color which mellows into a clear Bartlett yellow when fully mature. The fruit is two months later than Bartlett, very firm, and handles unusually well. Canning tests indicate that the canned product is equal to Bartlett and much better than Kieffer. The tree is a cropper. Covert bids fair to replace Kieffer for canning and for export. Good 3 to 4 Foot Trees, \$1.45 Each.

FOR DWARF PEAR TREES See Page 2

# NEW HANSEN APRICOT

THE SUPER HARDY APRICOT



Hansen's new sensational Northwest hardy apricot. Recently introduced by Prof. N. E. Hansen, of South Dakota State College, who has been working for many years to produce hardy apricots that would be good eating and large size and still would withstand the rigors of Dakota's cold and drought. Two very important points of interest stand out in regard to these new apricots. One is that they are perhaps one of the most drought resistant of all trees, coming through the terrible droughts of 1933, 1934, and 1935 with flying colors—full foliage and no apparent effect whatever from the dry, hot weather, and with a great crop of fruit. The second point is that they are hardy almost anywhere in America, standing and bearing well in climates getting as low as 50 and 60 below zero. Strong 3-4 foot trees, \$1.00 each, 3 for \$2.75; Heavy 4-5 foot trees, \$1.50 each.

# **VORANGE QUINCE**

Sometimes called Apple Quince. Fruit large, round with a short neck; color bright yellow; flesh tender, juicy and of excellent flavor. Highly regarded for jellies and preserves. Trees bear young. A good tree to plant on hillsides or where land is hard to work, as it requires very little care. Heavy 3 to 4 foot trees, \$1.50 each; 3 for \$3.75.

# NECTARINE

A most unusually outstanding and delicious fruit. A cross between a peach and plum. Resembles a peach in shape, size and flavor. As fuzzless as a plum. Fruit is large, juicy and melting. Unequalled either as a fresh fruit or for canning. Flesh fine grained and a beautiful color clear to the pit. Destined to become one of America's most popular tree fruits. Has the same habit of growth and bearing as the peach, and requires the same care. The juicy texture and delicious flavor of this smooth skinned Nectarine furnishes one of the most delightful fruits for summer eating. As large as good sized peaches, light skin, overlaid with a very attractive red. Heavy 3 to 4 foot trees, \$1.25 each; 3 for \$3.00; Strong 4 to 5 foot trees, \$1.50 each; 3 for \$4.00.



Hansen Apricot

Persimmon

### PERSIMMON TREES

Trees are thrifty growers, will bear fruit in several years. Grows into a small tree, makes a very beautiful and valuable ornamental tree for the garden, street or lawn. Fruit is large, with golden yellow skin, changing to almost red when fully ripe. Fruit will hang on the tree for several weeks after ripe and will keep its fine rich flavor. 2 to 3 ft. trees, 75c each; 3 for \$1.75.



Nectarine

# RUSSIAN MULBERRY TREES

An ideal shade tree, luxuriant foliage, clean and hardy everywhere, a rapid grower. Bears an abundant crop of edible fruits which resemble blackberries and are very sweet. A few Russian Mulberry trees will save your cherry crops as the birds prefer the Mulberry to Cherries. Heavy 4 to 5 ft. trees, 85c each.

# `PAW PAW - Northern Banana

A small handsome tree with large purple flowers which are very beautiful and fragrant and large dark green foliage which makes it a handsome tree for the park or lawn. Produces large yellow fruit which has the flavor and shape of the banana and is very delicious and attractive. Trees very hardy and productive. Can be grown in all sections of the United States. Should be planted in every lawn. 1½ to 2 ft. size, 85c each; 3 for \$2.00.



Paw Paw

# HANSEN BUSH CHERRY

ORNAMENTAL SHRUB - VALUABLE FRUIT

Shapely, ornamental shrub, with long pointed graygreen leaves, silvery beneath. Covered with snowwhite flowers in Spring. Cherries are in large clusters, easy to pick. Makes excellent jelly, jam and juice. The bushes reach a height of four to five feet and are perfectly hardy everywhere. Produces an enormous bush in your garden or along the edge of your yard. You will find them beautiful and enjoyable. 18 to 24 inch plants, 60c each; 3 for \$1.50. Transplanted, 2 to 3 ft., 85c each.

FOR OTHER VARIETIES SEE PAGES 6 AND 7.



Russian Mulberry

ORDER FROM ZILKE'S-SAVE MONEY AND HAVE BETTER STOCK FOR LESS MONEY

# **HARDY NUT TREES**

# PAPER SHELLED CARPATHIAN ENGLISH WALNUT

This Hardy tree is growing in many parts of the world; the hardiest is found in Russia, Poland and Northern Carpathian mountains where the winter temperature at times drops to more than 40 degrees below zero.

It was from these countries that the original stock was brought to Canada about 20 years ago, and since then has been propagated in Michigan.

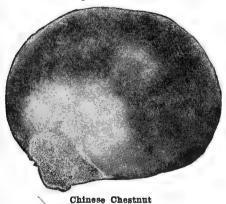
The trees have a gray colored skin, leaves are large, glossy and nicely scented. Nuts vary in size from that of the California English walnut to twice this size. Nuts fall free of hull. The shell is thin and breaks very easy. In Canada this variety is a heavy producer, grows rapidly, bears at an early age.

Our Trees are Heavy 3 year old, 3 to 4 foot tall, \$3.50 each; 3 for \$9.50. Heavy 3 year, 2 to 3 foot tall, \$2.75 each; 3 for \$7.50.

# CHINESE BLIGHT RESISTANT CHESTNUT

### GROWING YOUR OWN LARGE, SWEET CHEST-NUTS IS A PLEASURE

A number of years ago the Chestnut blight destroyed the Native American Chestnuts. The U. S. Dept. of Agriculture—after many tests—introduced a type of Chinese Chestnut not only blight-resistant, but an early-bearer of large, good quality nuts. Trees start bearing when very young, often in 2 to 5 years, and succeed anywhere the American Sweet Chestnut formerly grew; in fact they can be grown over a wider area and may be grown wherever Peaches thrive. We recommend planting in a well-drained, sunny location. Plant the Chinese Chestnut for attractive home ground shade trees and also reap a harvest of delicious, sweet nuts.



2 year 12-18 inch transplants 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; 10 for \$5.50; 2 yr. 18-24 in. transplants, \$1.25 each; 2 for \$2.00; 5 for \$4.25; 10 for \$7.50.

#### CORRECT PLANTING BOOKLET

Sixteen pages of valuable information on planting, pruning and general care of plants, shrubs, trees, etc. Everyone interested in plants should have this book. Included FREE with your order.

FREE Cultural Instructions Included With Every Order

# THOMAS BLACK

IMPROVED NEW THIN SHELL BLACK WALNUT

An improved Black Walnut, which is giant size with kernels much larger, better flavor and much easier to get out, and the heaviest-producing variety grown—the greatest nut tree in the country. Fast growing and bears very young—often the second or third year after planting. Nuts are delicious flavor and because they are so large and plump, come out in halves and quarters. Very hardy. Grow anywhere. Heavy 2-3 foot trees, \$2.00 each; 3 for \$5.50; Heavy 3-4 foot trees, \$3.50 each.

# PLANT SEVERAL NUT TREES IN THE LAWN THIS SPRING

### ENGLISH WALNUT

Plant Early Bearing. Grafted trees, valuable for fruit and shade. The nuts are thin shelled with full

meated kernels of delicious flavor. Tree is hardy and productive. Nut groves are proving real investments and a source of pleasure as well as income. Plant our selected variety for quick and satisfactory results.

Heavy 2 to 3 foot transplants, \$2.25; 3 to 4 foot transplants, \$3.25 each.



English Walnut

# HAZELNUT TREES

AMERICAN FILBERT—Small tree, bushes grow in shrub form, with wide leaves which color bronze in



Hazelnut

autumn. Will thrive in any well-drained soil. Plant as a shrub in the border or garden. Produces round kernels, tender and sweet, very nutritious, shells are soft and can be easily removed. Prices: strong 2 to 3 foot clumps, \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.50.

# HARDY FIELD GROWN SWEET POTATO PLANTS

Delicious sweet potatoes are easy to grow if you use Zilke's Field Grown Plants. Plants are disease FREE. Our plants have well developed roots and good tops. A desirable crop for the home grower and a profitable crop for the truck farmer. Plant Zilke's Sweet Potato Plants and see the difference.

**PORTO RICO**—Deep orange flesh; sweet, mellow and moist. Most popular Northern variety, brings good prices.

NANCY HALL—Beautiful yellow skin. Sweet, amberyellow flesh.

Ready for shipment direct from our Nursery in Michigan after April 25th until June 1st. Please order early and specify shipping date.

50 plants, 70c postpaid; 100 plants \$1.25 postpaid; 500 plants \$3.45 postpaid; 1000 plants \$5.45 postpaid.

# Our strawberry plants are all fresh dug

All our strawberry plants are fresh dug, hand cleaned, bunched and ready for easy planting. The plants are then labeled in the field before they are gathered up by truck and hauled to our packing plant. Here they are carefully packed by experienced packers, with plenty of damp moss and other packing materials. About 95% of our plants are packed within two hours after they are dug. That is why we can guarantee our plants to reach you in the very best condition.

In looking through the many catalogs you receive you will notice that some claim to be the world's largest growers of fruit plants and trees. WE DO NOT CLAIM TO BE THE WORLD'S LARGEST GROWERS, BUT WE DO GROW SOME OF THE BEST THAT CAN BE GROWN.

# Plant Zilke's Everbearing Strawberries and Enjoy Fruit All Summer and Fall, Bears 60 Davs After Planting

# NEW STREAMLINER

NEW GIANT SIZE—HONEY FLAVORED

The newest of the everbearers, which we can offer in limited quan-We have never seen a more beautiful strawberry. Almost round, bright scarlet in color, and the very largest berry of all the everbearing strawberries. Out-yields both Mastodon and Gem. Sweet as honey, with very little acid. Ripens red all over at the same time, even late in the Fall. Bears 60 days after set, and will bear the second year as well as the first. From late June to late in November it will be loaded with ripe berries, green ones, and blossoms all at the same time. This new everbearer should be tried out in a small way by those who are interested in this type of berry. Prices: 25 for \$1.45; 50 for \$2.75; 100 for \$4.75; 250 for \$9.75; 500 for \$18.00; 1000 for \$34.50.

# **NEW GEM** Giant Everbearer

BEARS 60 DAYS AFTER PLANTING

The Last Degree in Strawberry Perfection For Size, Color and Flavor. It is our belief that there has never been and probably never will be another Everbearing Strawberry that even approaches Gem in the qualities that make for perfection.

BIG PROFITS—2 CROPS A YEAR. Plant this spring—pick all summer—you'll get back the price paid for the plants, and most important, a big profit besides. You'll harvest another fine crop the following June—two crops in one year. Unlike most



Zilke's Heavy rooted Strawberry Plants

everbearers, this variety is an excellent plant maker.

The plants are very healthy and vigorous, producing an abundance of runners, which bear fruit the first season.

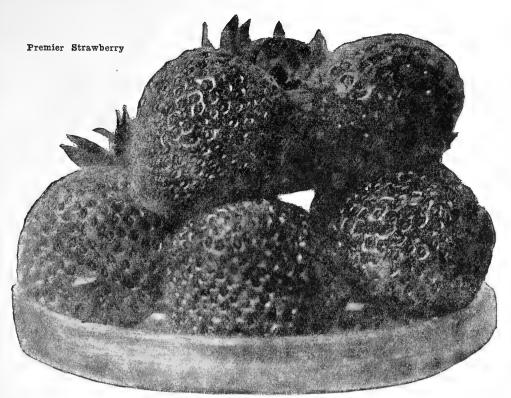
Berries are large, bright red, firm, roundish in shape, rather tart but of good flavor and quality. Good for des-sert or culinary uses. Very attractive in appearance and sell well on Prices: 25 plants, \$1.40; 50 for \$2.15; 100 for \$3.70; 250 For \$7.25; 500 for \$13.25; 1000 for \$24.50.

Zilke's New Streamliner

#### EVERBEARING **COLLECTION NO. 3**

25 New Gem 25 Superfection 25 New Streamliner

> EVERBEARING SPECIAL \$3.50



# NEW ROBINSON Also Known As Scarlet Beauty New Giant, Long Season Strawberry

This variety was found here in Berrien County, Michigan, several years ago and has been thoroughly tested and by this time known as the best late strawberry to grow. Robinson is a very large, round, shapely, dark red berry which topped the market last summer. Robinson is the largest berry we have ever seen, in fact we have seen 30 berries fill a quart box, the color is a cardinal red; berries have a firm tough skin, and are honey-sweet in flavor. Very good plant maker in most any kind of soil. Plant Premier and Robinson and you will have berries over the entire season. Robinson starts fruiting soon after Premier and continues through the late berry season, matchless in beauty, flavor and quality. Price: 25 plants, \$0.80; 50 for \$1.45; 100 for \$2.45; 250 for \$5.45; 500 for \$7.50; 1000 for \$13.45; 2000 for \$25.00. For larger amounts, ask for special prices.

# **DUNLAP**The King of the Canners

If you love shortcake, you will appreciate one made with Dunlap, and a can of them during the winter months is a treat. Both the canning factories and the housewife demand this variety on account of its splendid flavor and dark, rich, beautiful color. During the past two decades Dunlap has made more money for the Strawberry growers than any other variety. The plants are medium in size, long rooted, very prolific and will more than hold their own under any rough-and-tumble method of cultivation. The best berry for the beginner, the easiest Strawberry to grow. Bears early, very productive. Perfect flowering. Prices: 25 plants, \$0.80; 50 for \$1.20; 100 for \$1.70; 250 for \$3.50; 500 for \$6.50; 1000 for \$11.95; 2000 for \$22.00.

#### **COLLECTION NO. 8**

25 New Fairland 25 New Temple 25 New Sparkle SPECIAL PRICE ......\$2.45

# PREMIER EXTRA EARLY --- FROST PROOF

Premier is the greatest extra early strawberry of all times. It ripens ahead of all other varieties, the fruit is rich in color, fine in texture, excellent in flavor, and of unusual quality for shipping. Foliage is tough and healthy, covering blossoms and berries and protecting them from frost and scalding sun. The plants are sturdy, and long rooted, a good drought resister. While Premier ripens early, it is very resistant to frost and matures its heavy crop of berries so that they can be marketed while prices are the highest. No other variety will give you more pleasure, satisfaction and profit. Perfect flowering. Prices, 25 plants, \$0.90; 50 for \$1.55; 100 for \$2.60; 250 for \$5.75; 500 for \$8.25; 1000 for \$14.95; 2000 for \$29.00; 5000 for \$63.00.

FOR LARGER AMOUNTS ASK FOR SPECIAL PRICES

# **NEW FAIRLAND**

# THE STRAWBERRY THAT IS RESISTANT TO RED STELE

A new variety, very recently released. Fairland is a vigorous grower and a heavy yielder. Berries are somewhat firmer than Premier, large in size, bright red, good flavor and quality. NEW FAIRLAND ARE RESISTANT TO RED STELE. Try the New Fairland—you'll be satisfied. 25 plants for \$1.00; 50 for \$1.75; 100 for \$2.75; 250 for \$5.25; 500 for \$9.25; 1000 for \$16.95.

# NEW EARLY TEMPLE

FULLY RESISTANT TO RED STELE

Heavy bedding nature of plants requires little or no fertilizer in fertile soil. Has a distinctively different sweetness embodying the very best from its parents, Aberdeen and Fairfax. Large, light red berries, extra long fruiting season. NEW TEMPLE IS RESISTANT TO RED STELE, LEAF SPOT AND HIGHLY RESISTANT TO LEAF SCORCH. Try a few plants this spring. 25 for \$1.00; 50 for \$1.65; 100 for \$2.75; 250 for \$5.75; 500 for \$8.65; 1000 for \$16.45.

#### VERY IMPORTANT

Michigan State Department of Agriculture
Bureau Orchard and Nursery Inspection No. 1018
Certificate of STRAWBERRY RED STELE
Inspection

This is to certify that Strawberry plants of Zilke Brothers Nursery, Baroda, Mich., have been examined and found apparently free from the RED STELE disease as well as other strawberry diseases and insects. Date of first inspection, 5-26-50. Date of second inspection 9-3-50.

Chas Figy, Commissioner.

C. A. Boyer, Director Bureau Orchard and Nursery Inspection, Lansing, Mich. 9-5-50.

# **SPARKLE**

### RECOMMENDED FOR YOUR FREEZER

Strongly recommended by northern New York growers, has been grown with satisfaction as far south as New Jersey. Berries resemble Pathfinder in shape, but are more attractive with bright rich red color that tends to darken over ripe. Quality has been called better than Premier in some areas. SPARKLE is offered to our customers who would like to try what promises to be an outstanding variety. 25 plants for \$1.00; 50 for \$1.75; 100 for \$2.75; 250 for \$6.00; 500 for \$8.95; 1000 for \$16.45.

### CATSKILL

#### THE STANDARD LATE VARIETY

It is now generally recognized as one of the best of the midseason to late varieties. This popularity is due to the fact that it will produce more quarts of large berries than any other variety. It is a sure cropper, as it ranks next to Premier in this respect. It rarely ever freezes. Catskill is bright shiny red, the berries hold their color very well, and when they are carefully packed they present a very attractive appearance. The foliage of the plant is rich, waxy in appearance, and the fruit is produced on long picking stems. It ripens when the market is almost bare of fruit, and for this reason always commands a good price.

Prices: 25 plants, \$1.15; 50 for \$1.95; 100 for \$3.15; 250 for \$6.25; 500 for \$9.50; 1000 for \$17.00.

# WHITE STRAWBERRY

Pure creamy-white Strawberry. Berries and plants medium size. Fine flavor, sugar-sweet. When you pick these berries they have no hulls. Quite an attraction to grow and show your friends the only pure snow-white Strawberry grown. Try a few. Prices, 12 for \$1.75; 25 for \$2.50; 50 for \$4.25; 100 for \$7.00; 250 for \$12.00.

# SUPERFECTION The New Everbearing Strawberry

Introduced by the originator of Gem, Superfection is one of the newest and best everbearing strawberries resulting from modern plant breeding. Offered this year by a few of the leading nurseries of the country. You will want to be the first to have this exceptionally fine everbearer. Superfection bears heavily from June until frost. Large bright red berries with an extra delicious flavor.

PRICES: 25 for \$1.65; 50 for \$2.85; 100 for \$4.85; 250 for \$9.45; 500 for \$18.75; 1000 for \$34.00.

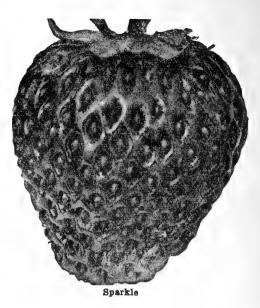
# 'BERRY - SET' for Bigger Berries



Makes berries grow much larger—often 50% to 100% BIGGER... Meatier... Sweeter... more luscious tasting. Increases berry yields greatly. Strawberries have fewer seeds. Sprayed berry plants bear ripe fruits over a longer period of time; there is greater value and enjoyment from your berry patch. BERRY-SET is a combination of carefully selected hormone chemicals especially for the use on strawberries, blackberries and raspberries.

1 oz. packet makes 4 gallon spray, 50c, Postpaid; 3 oz. packet makes 12 gallons spray, \$1.00 Postpaid; 12 oz. packet makes 48 gallons spray, \$3.00 Postpaid. (directions for use on each package).

FREE
Cultural Instructions
Included With Every
Order



### **COLLECTION NO. 4**

- 25 Premier, extra early
- 25 New Robinson, midseason
- 25 Dunlap, early

SPECIAL PRICE ..... \$2.15

### IMPORTANCE OF ROOT GROWTH

The root system contains the life of Strawberry Plants. All Zilke plants have strong, heavy, white roots, grown under ideal climatic conditions by leading American specialists.

Our own method of digging and packing for shipment, preserves the roots so they reach you in a fresh, crisp condition. This assures you vigor, health and productiveness, gives you an excellent start for an abundant crop of quality berries that will bring highest market prices.

You Can't Buy Better Plants at Any Price

# SURPLUS STRAWBERRY PLANTS

We offer 'Surplus Strawberry Plants' to those that are not particular as to variety. These plants are First Class in every way, fresh dug and Guaranteed. YOU ORDER BY THE NAME OF CUT PRICE PLANTS, not by variety. We will select the variety and label. You will receive one of the good standard varieties that we list in our catalog.

250 for \$2.75; 500 for \$4.95; 1000 plants for \$8.95. (These plant prices are net).

# ZILKE'S NEW RED EVERBEARING RHUBARB

ZILKE'S EVERBEARING MCDONALD RED RHUBARB is the finest of all Rhu-The stalks are giant in size, twice as large as ordinary Rhubarb. Bright red color. Very tender and stays tender a long time. It has the richest flavor and also more sugar, therefore requires less sweetening when cooked. It makes the finest Rhubarb pies and sauce you ever tasted. The skin is a bright red, but the inside flesh is white, so when the sauce is cooked it has just enough tinge of red to make it look appetizing. It is a tremendous yielder, that is why we call it everbearing, because as fast as you pull one stalk another comes up to take its place. You can use it

over a much longer period of time than ordinary Rhubarb. The stalks are 18 to 24 inches long, many half as thick as your wrist. Nothing you can plant in your garden will give you more returns than McDonald Rhubarb. We recommend it very highly, not only because it is healthful, but because it tastes so good. Lasts a life time. Heavy 2 yr. divisions, 60c each; 3 for \$1.50, 10 for \$4.75.

CANADA RED RHUBARB-Sweet, tender and red all the way through. A brand new rhubarb imported from Canada. stalks are dark red clear to the heart and up into the leaf.

duces large plump stalks that are very sweet, fine flavored and makes the most beautiful red sauce. Quickly grows into a large clump. A few matured plants will supply the average family. Hardy everywhere. Thrives anywhere. This is the earliest spring fruit. No. 1 divisions, 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; 10 for \$6.00.

# **New Paradise Asparagus**

MATURES A YEAR EARLIER—PLANT THIS SPRING HARVEST FIRST CROP NEXT YEAR!

For this year we offer this wonderful new variety from the market gardens of California-where only the best is grown. Again we predict that within a very short time Paradise will have supplanted all other kinds, and will be the standard market and commercial variety in all sections. It is similar in appearance to Mary Washington, and was developed as a sport of that variety by an Asparagus grower in Southern California. Stems are large, same color as Mary Washington.



New Paradise Asparagus

The opportunities for a quick profit from Paradise are now greater than ever before. With America calling for increased production of all food stuffs, canners are demanding greater and greater supplies. Paradise fully meets their requirements, being especially suitable for both canning and freezing under new process.

#### ZILKE'S ASPARAGUS IS BEST FOR CANNING, FRESH OR FREEZING PURPOSES

ASPARAGUS PRICES	25	50	100	250
Yr. No. 1	\$0.75	\$1.25	\$2.15	\$4.50
Yr. No. 1	1.35	2.25	3.95	7.25

# 2 HORSERADISH ROOTS

McDonald Rhubarb

Horseradish thrives everywhere and should have a place in every garden. Very valuable for appetizers, relishes, etc. Easy to grow, to can, and to sell. Bohemian roots are white, tender and free from stringiness. Plant roots with tops one inch below surface of ground face of ground.

2 <b>y</b> r.	Roots		\$0.75	\$1.25	\$2.00
Heavy	Jumbo	Crowns	_ 1.50	2.45	4.25

### ZILKE'S RHUBARB

GIANT VICTORIA—Providing the first fresh fruit for pies and dessert in the spring. A few Rhurbarb plants along one side of the garden will prove a real blessing. Don't confuse the new Giant Victoria with the old "pie plant" as this new variety really has a delicious peachy flavor. Plant it this spring and cut big, tender, pink and juicy stalks next spring. 25 roots will supply a big family the year around.

RHUBARB PRICES	6	12	25	100
1 Yr. Heavy	\$0.85	\$1.50	\$2.65	\$ 9.50
2 Yr. Heavy	1.20	2.15	3.95	14.50

# COLLECTION NO. 5

25 Asparagus Roots, 1 yr. 4 Horseradish Roots, 2 yr. 4 Rhubarb Roots, 2 yr.

SPECIAL PRICE

FREE Cultural Instructions **Included With Every Order** 

# DWARF EVERBEARING FIG Grow Your Own Large Sweet Figs

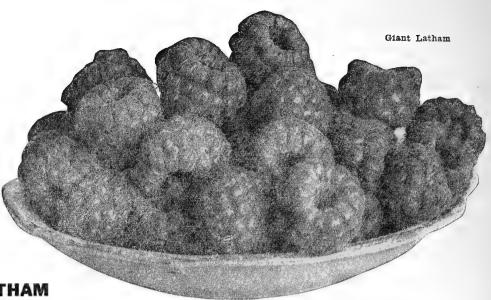
This new fig is fine for commercial as well as for home use, can be used as fresh fruit, canned or dried. The fig is large, straw colored, thin skin, yellowish pink meat, finest flavor, sweet, prolific. The skin rarely ever cracks. Ripens fruit over a long season, starting in August and still bearing heavy in October. If your temperature does not go much below zero in winter then cut fig limbs back to 10 inches high and cover restubs with maining



Everbearing Fig

about 8 inches of dirt, a few leaves or straw will also help. Do this in the fall before frosts, remove protection in the spring after danger of frost is over. The fig plants grow very rapidly after protection is removed, often growing to a height of 7 feet in one season. The fruit is produced on the 1 yr. wood, almost every leaf grows 1 or 2 figs on it.  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to 2 foot plants, 85c each; 2 for \$1.60; 5 for \$3.50.

# ZILKE'S RED RASPBERRY PLANTS ARE BETTER



GIANT LATHAM

#### BIGGEST MONEY-MAKING RASPBERRY IN **AMERICA**

The sensational yields of this variety have attracted the attention of growers everywhere, and all those who have given it a trial are praising the many unusual features they have found in Latham. After thoroughly testing Latham we find it a remarkble variety in every respect; you will be both delighted and surprised after

giving it a trial.

Tremendously Productive; Large Berries. Latham is a tall, vigorous grower, the canes are extra heavy, well able to support the load of fruit. The foliage is healthy, dark green, tough and leathery, highly resistant to insects. Covers a longer fruiting season. The berries are beauties and will cause a sensation wherever they are shown. Many are over an inch in diameter and they hold this size to the end of the season. Color is dark rich red. For prices see page 22.

# SUNRISE

#### THE EARLIEST RED RASPBERRY

If you are a commercial planter, test them liberally-Sunrise ripens so extremely early that you will get berries on the market days ahead of other varieties. It is especially hardy, having an unusual ability to withstand low temperatures without injury. It has proven even more resistant than Latham to anthracnose, leaf spot and spur blight. The color is bright, but turns dark red upon ripening, the berries pick easily. They are firm, fine textured, juicy non-crumbly with a good raspberry aroma, and of excellent quality and flavor. The greatest value of Sunrise is its earliness. This together with its long season, makes Sunrise the ideal Red Raspberry. For prices see page 22.



Yellow Raspberry

### INDIAN SUMMER

# NEW EVERBEARING RED RASPBERRY

Here is a distinctly new type of everbearer, unlike any older kind. "Marvelous" justly describes Indian Summer. The quantity, size and quality of the berries it produces in September, October and November are truly marvelous because they are so far superior to any other everbearer. With such a berry you can make worth-while profits from the high prices always paid for off-season fruit. You get a good early crop in the regular season, too.

# We Recommend This Everbearer

Berries are uniform, rich red, thimble-shaped, large and juicy; flavor a true, tart, delicious raspberry. St. Regis berries are small and poor by comparison. A thrifty grower and heavy producer. Another N. Y. Station berry. You have never seen any fall berries as good in every way as INDIAN SUMMER.

### Be Sure To Plant This Spring

A full-sized, heavy-bearing, fine quality, real red raspberry that bears in September, October and November. Makes money because its big fall crop of fine fruit can be depended on for high out-of-season prices. For prices see page 22.

# NEW WILLIAMETTE RED RASPBERRY

The new Williamette Red raspberry is a very vigorous grower of large husky plants, has heavy foliage, which remains until late in the fall. Berries are large, long, thumb-shaped, best of flavor, very rich and sweet. IS VERY HIGHLY RECOMMENDED FOR FREEZING PURPOSES. Williamette has an extra long fruiting season. For prices see page 22.

# YELLOW RASPBERRY **GOLDEN QUEEN RASPBERRY**

A large beautiful, golden yellow raspberry. Many prefer this variety to the red or black sorts, owing to its sugary sweetness and unsurpassed flavor. Quality of berry is excellent, canes hardy, prolific and thrifty in growth. Should be in every garden because of its beauty and high quality. For prices see page 22.

MICHIGAN STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
BUREAU OF PLANT INDUSTRY CERTIFICATE OF INSPECTION
Lansing, Mich., 7-25-1950

This is to certify that the raspberry fields of Zilke Bros. Nursery, Barods, have been inspected according to the regulations of this Department and those listed on the back of this sheet having been found apparently free from dangerous insects and diseases, this certificate is granted and the sale of plants from the approved fields is authorized for the year ending September 15, 1951.

These \$23.00 (Paid) Fee \$23.00 (Paid) First Inspection Made 5-31-50 Chas. Figy Director Second Inspection Made 7-20-50 C. A. Boyer Chief Bureau of Plant Industry

# ZILKE'S BLACKBERRIES

# ALFRED BLACKBERRY

JET-BLACK, SWEET, DELICIOUS BLACKBERRY

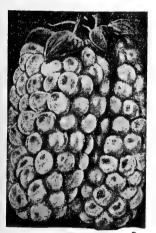
Alfred is a healthy, vigorous grower and produces nearly a full crop of fruit

the year after planting. It is perfectly hardy and can be grown anywhere without winter protection. Alfred ripens a week to ten days earlier than Eldorado, producing a heavy crop of fruit. The berries are a glossy jet-black, the flavor sweet and delicious, and they are nearly seedless and coreless. The berries are larger than the average blackberry, many of them measuring 1½ inches in length. 1 year No. 1 plants, 12 for \$1.75; 25 for \$3.00; 50 for \$5.00; Bearing age plants, 2 yr. No. 1, 6 for

\$1.75; 12 for \$3.00; 25 for \$5.00.

# YOUR ORDERS WILL BE FILLED WITH PLUMP FRESH HEALTHY STOCK DIRECT FROM OUR FARMS

#### WHITE BLACKBERRY TRUE



Alfred Blackberry

This creamy white blackberry sounds impossible but it's true. When mixed with jet black ones it makes a most wonderful dish. Berries are larger than Eldorado, very few seeds and quite sweet when fully ripe. Strong growers and very productive. 1 year No. 1 plants, 6 for \$1.00; 12 for \$1.75; 25 for \$3.00; 50 for \$5.00; Bearing Age Plants, 2 vear No. 1, 6 for \$1.75; 12 for \$3.00; 25 for \$4.50.

> FOR CURRANTS AND **GOOSEBERRIES** SEE PAGE 23

# **SOMETHING NEW - NO THORNS** GARDENIA

A NEW THORNLESS DEWBERRY

A genuine dewberry-rich, sweet and luscious in flavor as they always are-but one without thorns. What is more, Gardenia does not produce thorny shoots or plants when it grows older as some socalled thornless plants do. Very vigorous, healthy and hardy plants that have the heavy-bearing dewberry habit. Gardenia has been fully tested and is ready to win full approval in your garden. A dozen vines will make a lot of berries. 1 year No. 1 plants, 6 for \$1.00; 12 for \$1.75; 25 for \$3.00; 50 for \$5.00; 100 for \$9.00.

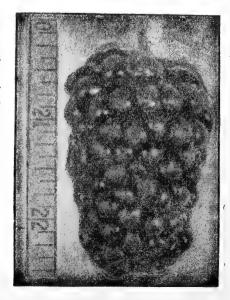


# THORNLESS BOYSENBERRY

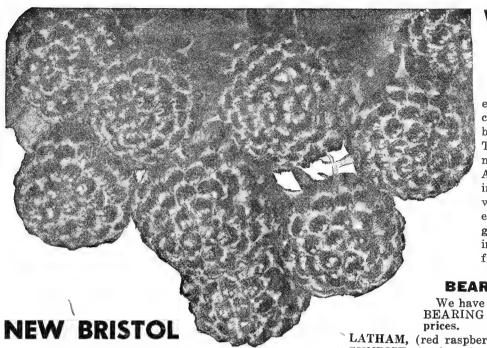
OFTEN BEARS FRUIT 2 TO 3 INCHES LONG

This is the extra early ripening strain of Thornless Boysenberry with canes as smooth as a grape vine. RIPENS ABOUT TWO WEEKS EARLIER THAN BOYSENBERRY. The introducer claims even heavier yields from this Thornless Boysenberry than the common Boysenberry. This new strain Thornless Boysenberry is identical to the Boysenberry except that there are no thorns and it ripens earlier. This is a good feature as the early berries bring much more money. The Thornless is as hardy, rugged and heavy bearing as its parent the Boysenberry. Vines grow long, and this pretty apple-green vine loaded with giant purple beauties is a sight you will never forget, and after you taste a handful of them, other berries will go begging for a while. Delicious with cream and sugar, and when made into jam, it's the last word. 1 year No. 1 plants, 6 for 95c; 12 for \$1.65; 25 for \$2.60; 50 for \$4.00; 100 for \$7.45; 250 for \$17.45; Bearing age transplants, 2 year No. 1, 3 for \$1.30; 6 for \$2.35; 12 for \$4.25; 25 for \$7.95.





# ZILKE'S BLACK RASPBERRIES



LARGE, SWEET, JET-BLACK, ALMOST SEEDLESS

Bristol is one of the best black raspberries being grown at Geneva. We believe this new variety compares very favorably with the new Morrison, in some localities has proven far superior. Bears very heavy crops of large, glossy-black berries, fruit is large, sweet, jet-black, nearly seedless, excellent quality. The bushes are hardy, vigorous growers, healthy, strongly resistant to the usual raspberry diseases. Bristol is considered a top quality blackcap that is widely adapted in all raspberry sections, rapidly coming to the top among commercial growers and gardners. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN ONE OF THE BEST BLACK RASPBERRIES, YOU SHOULD BY ALL MEANS, TRY THE NEW BRISTOL.

# NEW MORRISON Bigger, More Profitable

Here is a better black raspberry for both home and market use. Morrison has now been widely tested and has proven head and shoulders above other varieties in most every way. Commercial growers say: "Largest blackcap I have seen." "Practically disease free." "Larger and firmer than Cumberland. Does not crumble." "Holds its size to the last of the picking season." "For two years it has brought more than other varieties on the Pittsburgh market."

A county agent says: "The Morrison is somewhat the most attractive berry I have seen in several states. With us the berry ripens slightly later than Cumberland, is considerably larger, very dark and glossy and sells at a premium at all times."

The big bushes are exceptionally vigorous, hardy growers; long lived, and are practically disease free.

Morrison berries are high flavor, firm, juicy, not so seedy, and the size averages almost an inch across. They hold up longer, out yield other varieties and MAKE MORE MONEY FOR THE GROWER. For prices see page 22.

FREE Cultural Instructions Included With Every Order

# Why Zilke's Certified Raspberries Are

Zilke's Raspberries bear younger and live longer not only because of superior quality, but also because every plant is healthy. Two rigorous inspections are made by Michigan Department of Agriculture Plant Inspectors during the growing season. That is why our plant fields are kept disease free. Then at digging and grading time they are carefully inspected for root disease and final inspection when packed.

### BEARING AGE PLANTS

We have the following plants in the large BEARING AGE SIZE. See page 22 for prices.

LATHAM, (red raspberry)
SUNRISE, (early red raspberry)
NEW WILLIAMETTE, (red raspberry)
YELLOW RASPBERRY
INDIAN SUMMER, (everbearing red raspberry)
MORRISON, (black raspberry)
EARLY LOGAN, (black raspberry)
CUMBERLAND, (black raspberry)
SODUS, (purple raspberry)
ALFRED, (blackberry)
THORNLESS BOYSENBERRY

# GAIN A YEAR Will Fruit This Summer

Ideal for Home Gardens and Commercial Growers Who Want Quick Returns

We offer two-year bearing age transplants in BLACK and RED RASPBERRIES, BLACKBERRIES, and BOYSENBERRIES. You will find money-saving prices on transplants on page 22.

# Here's What You're Looking For

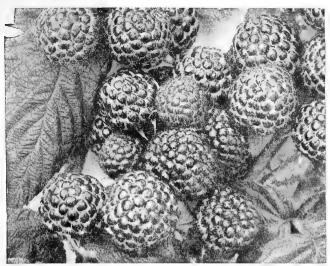
Note at right, 2year Morrison Black Raspberry transplant—with wonderful root system and sturdy body.

Will produce berries in three months, bringing quick profits. A full crop the second season. The finest plants you can buy anywhere at any price.

Planting Stock for Our Transplants is selected from heavy Bearing Plants — Producing Superior Transplants.

THERE'S A
DIFFERENCE





Cumberland Black Raspberry

### CUMBERLAND

#### THE BEST MIDSEASON BLACKCAP

The Breadwinner of the Blackcap Family! The largest of all Blackcaps and the very best midseason kind. No Blackcap has ever been grown as extensively as Cumberland, nor attained its great popularity in all Raspberry producing sections of the country. We strongly urge all of our customers to plant this dependable old favorite instead of spending time and money on new and untried varieties in which we, ourselves, have no confidence.

Fruit is large, plump and juicy, with a true "Black-cap Flavor" all its own. Free from seediness and crumbling, with extremely firm texture, which makes Cumberland an ideal shipper. Plants are hardy, thrifty growers, producing enormous crops over a long period of time, and are especially free from anthracnose, the common disease of all Raspberries. For prices see page 22.

# **PURPLE SODUS**

#### BEST PURPLE RASPBERRY GROWN

This new variety is the heaviest bearing raspberry that we have ever seen. Tests have shown that it is unquestionably the best raspberry. The fruit is firm and large, many nearly an inch in diameter, a rich maroon color, with an exceptionally fine, sweet flavor. The plants are very vigorous growers, perfectly hardy, and extremely healthy. All in all, this wonderful raspberry is just what we have been looking for, for years. Fine to eat fresh and makes the best preserves and sauce you ever tasted. For prices see page 22.



# -ZILKE'S NEW 'BLACK BEAUTY' EVERBEARING BLACK RASPBERRY

You may have heard of EVERBEARING STRAWBERRIES

or

EVERBEARING RED RASPBERRIES or perhaps, even,

#### **EVERBEARING BLACKBERRIES**

But have you ever heard of EVERBEARING BLACK RASPBERRIES. Well it's here now, ZILKE'S HAVE IT, and it's really a BLACK BEAUTY.

The Black Beauty Everbearing Raspberry ripens early, it starts to ripen with the well known Early Logan variety, after the summer crop is picked. Black Beauty begins producing on the tips of the new canes and side branches. Black Beauty not only has fruit on the tips of the new wood, it developes side branches, which are also helps to extend the fruiting season. Black Beauty starts with the earliest black raspberry and from there or in until fall or freezing weather it has ripe berries, green berries and blossoms all at the same time.

#### BLACK BEAUTY IS VERY HARDY

This new Black raspberry was found in the high altitude of West Virginia. Its origin at this high altitude would assure its being winter hardy and capable of thriving throughout the northern part of our country. We have fruited Black Beauty in the state of Michigan for the last four years, without winter injury to the plant or the crop.

#### BERRIES ARE GOOD IN SIZE AND QUALITY

The summer crop of berries are about the size of Cumberland, the fall or everbearing crop is larger than Cumberland or Logan. The canes are very vigorous and productive. Most of the berries are about ¾ of an inch in diameter when ripe. The fall crop larger in size than the summer crop.

#### SUPPLY OF PLANTS IS LIMITED

As yet our supply of the Black Beauty plants is very limited, we urge you to order immediately. Orders will be booked as received and your stock will be reserved for you until you are ready for the plants. Order now before you forget, remember when plants are sold out for this season, there will be no more until next year.

1 YR. NO. 1 PLANTS, 5 FOR \$2.75; 12 FOR \$5.00. (12 PLANTS IS THE LIMIT TO ANY ONE)

### THE EARLY LOGAN

### MOST DEPENDABLE EXTRA EARLY

In many localities, where New Logan has been grown extensively for the past few years, it has nearly replaced all other early varieties. Ripens a week to ten days earlier than Cumberland, giving the grower a chance to market his crop ahead of the midseason rush to get the highest prices. The fruit is as large as Cumberland, very rich and sweet, with a distinctive wild flavor. Plants are hardy and very drought resistant. The perfect early variety to be grown in connection with Cumberland; thus covering the entire season. For prices see page 22.

# SAVE A FULL YEAR'S TIME

# Zilke's Plants are State Inspected, Have Ripe Berries To Sell in 3 Months

The increased demand for good fresh fruit, such as ZILKE'S READY TO BEAR PLANTS which yield several months after planting make bearing plants scarce. Why miss out on this summer's profits when you can have fruit to sell, several months after planting? Not just a few scattered berries but enough to actually pay a small profit.

# **ACTUALLY BEARING-AGE PLANTS**

Zilke's bearing-age plants are not just one-year-old plants but actually TWO YEAR TRANSPLANTS. Do not be misled by some NURSERY because it actually costs money to grow plants two years instead of only one year, as in growing large one-year plants. Do not let prices alone be your buying guide, as the quality differs almost as much as night and day. Our Bearing-Age plants are fully matured plants, ready to bear a crop of fruit. They bear on the old wood several months after planting. Just think of having berries to sell that quickly. Send us your order at once because there is a shortage of Good Bearing-Age plants.

# SAVE A YEAR'S TIME AND EXPENSE

You can now start growing raspberries and get real quick action. Why wait any longer? Have nice big berries ready to sell within a few months after plants are set. Almost a full crop the second year, then years of real bumper yields and real profits. DON'T BE FOOLED WITH JUST ORDINARY PLANTS. Send us your order and have the best.

### 1-YR. NO. 1 RED, BLACK, YELLOW AND PURPLE RASPBERRY

6	12	25	50	100	250	<b>500</b>
Latham, (red raspberry)\$0.65	\$1.10	\$2.00	\$3.65	\$6.95	\$15.75	\$28.00
Sunrise, (red raspberry)	1.45	2.45	3.95	7.45	16.95	29.95
Williamette, (red raspberry) 1.25	2.25	3.75	6.50	11.50	24.50	
Indian Summer, (everbearing red) 1.15	1.85	3.25	5.75	9.95		
Yellow Raspberry, (yellow rasp.) 1.35	2.25	3.75	6.50			
Morrison, (black raspberry)	1.50	2.50	4.15	7.45	17.45	29.95
Cumberland, (black raspberry)	.85	1.50	2.75	4.95	10.95	19.95
Early Logan, (black raspberry)	.85	1.50	2.75	4.95	10.95	19.95
Sodus, (purple raspberry) 1.20	<b>1.95</b>	2.75	4.75	8.75	19.95	
New Bristol, (black raspberry)	1.50	2.50	4.15	7.45	17.45	29.95

### 2-YR. NO. 1, LARGE BEARING AGE TRANSPLANT PRICES

	3	6	12	25	50	100
Latham, (red raspberry)\$0	0.80	\$1.20	\$2.20	\$3.75	\$6.75	\$11.45
Sunrise, (red raspberry)	.85	1.25	2.25	3.95	6.95	11.95
Williamette, (red raspberry) 1	1.00	1.70	2.75	4.95	9.45	17.45
Indian Summer, (everbearing red) 1	1.50	2.25	3.50	5.95		
Yellow Raspberry, (yellow rasp.)	1.45	2.15	3.45	5.85		
Morrison, (black raspberry)	.95	1.45	2.55	4.60	8.15	14.95
Cumberland, (black raspberry)	.90	1.30	2.35	3.95	6.75	11.95
New Logan, (black raspberry)	.90	1.30	2.35	3.95	6.75	11.95
Sodus, (purple raspberry) 1		3.00	5.00	8.95		
New Bristol, (black raspberry)	.95	1.45	2.55	4.60	8.15	14.95

# WE ARE GROWERS OF CHOICE QUALITY NURSERY STOCK—NOT DEALERS OR JOBBERS. ORDER FROM ZILKE'S—WE AIM TO PLEASE

Nursery License No. 76 Nursery Inspection Certificate No. 1141 Raspberry Inspection Certificate No. 655 Blueberry Inspection Certificate No. 321 Budwood Inspection Certificate No. 17 Strawberry Inspection Certificate No. 1018

Our Inspection Certificates, assure you of the highest, choice quality in Nursery Stock, direct from our own farm in the heart of the fruit belt.

# "NO STORAGE STOCK"

In ordering Nursery Stock from Zilke's you are assured of getting stock that is absolutely fresh in every way. Compare fresh trees with those that are kept in storage and a dry condition for three or four months, and see the difference. We absolutely guarantee all trees to be fresh and arrive in perfect condition.

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SEND YOUR ORDER NOW TODAY

# ZILKE'S HARDY CURRANTS

# WILDER CURRANTS

The Wilder Currant is considered one of the main commercial varieties. Upright growing bush, very vigorous; large clusters of big dazzling red berries. Wilder ripens early and remains a beautiful red and firm until late in the season. The berries are a mild sub-acid flavor, one of the best for jams and jellies.

# RED CROSS CURRANTS

A MAIN VARIETY CURRANT FOR MARKET OR HOME USE

Red Cross berries are large, bright red berries with rich, mild flavor, with plenty of pulp and very few seeds. Dependable and a good bearer. Excellent for home garden.

### WILDER AND RED CROSS CURRANT PRICES

	1	5	10	25	100
1 yr. plants\$	0.20	\$0.90	\$1.50	\$3.25	\$9.50
2 yr. plants	.30	1.40	2.50	5.25	18.50
Bearing Age Plants	.50	2.25	4.00	9.00	

# WHY YOU CAN BUY FOR LESS FROM ZILKE'S

Because, first of all:

Thousands of satisfied customers can't be wrong.

We sell direct from our catalog only—You have no agents or salesmen commissions to pay.

In ordering nursery stock from Zilke's you are assured of getting stock that is absolutely fresh in every way. Compare our fresh plants and trees with those that are kept in a frosty condition or in storage and in a dry condition for three or four months, order direct from Zilke's and see the difference.

We absolutely guarantee all stock to be fresh, and arrive in a perfect condition.

Because we can furnish you with excellent stock at our new low prices.

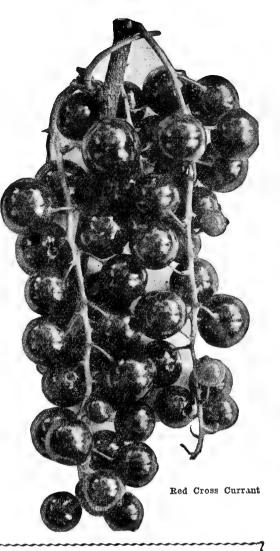
We do not spend thousands of dollars on colored pictures in our catalog. We pass that saving on to you by lower prices.

Our farms are of the best soils for developing heavy rooted, hardy stock, that will grow anywhere.

We own and operate our own farms in the heart of the Michigan fruit belt.

We grow more stock for less because, we have excellent soil, the latest equipment in up-to-the-minute tractors, automatic tree sprayers, trenchers, power lifters, loaders and many other labor saving devices. All these combined savings are passed on to our customers in lower prices and better stock.

We have no large, expensive, splashy advertising space—we depend largely upon our friends and customers to advertise our stock.



### **CORRECT PLANTING BOOKLET**

Sixteen pages of valuable information on planting, pruning and general care of plants, shrubs, trees, etc. Everyone interested in plants should have this book. Included FREE with your order.

# **GOOSEBERRIES**

Heavy 2 yr. plants, 65c each; 3 for \$1.80; 5 for \$2.50.

Gooseberries are tremendous bearers of large fine quality berries. The fruits hang down on the under-side of the branches, making easy picking. Bear very young. Every garden should have several bushes, requires no special care, will grow almost anywhere.



Gooseberries

Plant Bearing Age Currant Plants and Save Several Years of Time.

IMPORTANT — We ship Currants and Gooseberry plants only to Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Kansas, Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska, Oklahoma, North Dakota, South Dakota, Kentucky, Texas and Colorado.

# ZILKE'S GRAPE VINES

Plant a vineyard and invest in something permanent. You will receive a regular yearly income from it as long as you live. Plant a vineyard of our super selected plants this spring and cash in on this opportunity for profitable fruit growing.

> CONCORD—This is the old stand-by in the leading market vineyards garden variety. It grows on all soils, in all climates, is perfectly hardy and extremely productive. Bunches are large and compact. Berries large, bluish-black, excellent for grape juice, wine, table use, canning and market.

> NIAGARA-Most Popular White Grape-Perfectly hardy, and very productive. Bunches very large and compact. Berries fully as large or larger than Concord, mostly round, yellowish-green when fully ripe. The skin is thin but tough and does not crack. Quality of the best, very little pulp, melting and pleasing to the taste. Of exceptional value for eating, grape juice or market.

# FREDONIA

### The Best Black Grape Ever Introduced

Fredonia is the very best early grape ever introduced, fifteen days earlier than Concord. The vines are very vigorous and productive, very disease-resistant, makes new wood so fast that it bears the second year after set. Clusters are large in size, cylindrical, and compact; berries are very large, and round; skin is very thick and tough; flesh is juicy, solid but tender, very good. We recommend this variety very highly.

CACO-Fruit is very large, rich wine-red in color; flavor of the finest very rich and sweet. Excellent quality. Ripens in September. Vines are hardy, strong and vigorous growers, very prolific.

# SENECA SKINLESS GRAPE

Just a nice tender munch, and a sweet, juicy crunch, with no skins to worry about—that is the new Seneca Skinless Grape. Seneca is the newest of the hardy California type Grapes, and has this important quality of edible skin. Flavor sweet, melting, and delicious; vine vigorous and productive; bunches good size. Try a vine or two, and be ready to grow Seneca commercially when plants are available in sufficient quantities. Price: 2 year plants, \$0.85 each; 3 for \$2.25.

# **VAN BUREN**

Luxuriant grower, producing compact and well shaped bunches of blue-black color. Exceptionally sweet. Extremely early, ripening 3 to 4 weeks before any other grape is on the market. Prices: 2 year plants, 85c each; 3 for \$2.25.

#### SEEDLESS CONCORD GRAPE

Concord

#### THE GRAPE WITH A FUTURE

This perfectly hardy Seedless Grape is the result of years of experimentation and cross-breeding. It is of the Concord type, but slightly smaller, blue-black in color, and possesses the same fine flavor found in the Concord grape. Just the thing for your back-yard garden—a small arbor will provide sufficient Grapes for an average family. Just imagine Grapes without seeds. Prices: Heavy 2 yr. plants, 85c each; 3 for \$2.25.

# **GOLDEN MUSCAT GRAPE**

This new hardy California Grape can now be grown in every section of the country. The berries are large, every section of the country. The berries are large, sweet and meaty, making it a wonderful variety to grow for home use and roadside stands. The bunches are large, heavy, broad shouldered, and tapering. Very compact. On account of this Golden Muscat being such a productive plant, we advise a good complete commercial factilities are advised as a good complete commercial factilities. cial fertilizer every spring, and you will be delighted with the crop. Heavy 2 yr. plants, 85c each; 3 for \$2.25; 10 for \$6.75.

GRAPE PLANT PRICES	S	CE	RT	PI	NT	PLA	$\mathbf{PE}$	A	GR	
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Concord, 1 year plants\$	1 80 19	6 \$1.10		25 \$2.65	50 \$4.45	100 \$7.75	250 \$17.45	1000 \$59.00
Concord, 2 year plants	.29	1.50	2.25	3.60	6.25	10.75	24.00	89.00
Concord, 3 year plants	.35	1.90	3.25			18.45	42.50	
Niagara, 2 year plants					6.25			
Niagara, 3 year plants Fredonia, 2 year plants	.35 20	1.90	3.25	5.75	10.75	10.55	04.00	
Fredonia, 3 year plants	35	1.90	3.25	5.00 5.75	$6.25 \\ 10.75$		$24.00 \\ 42.50$	89.00
Caco, 2 year plants	.29	1.50	2.25	4.00	10.10	10.10	42.00	

We propagate our grapes in quantities which permit us to of-fer them at exlow ceptionally prices. Plant ZILKE'S heavy fruit strain grape plants for more and better fruit.

# HARDY GIANT CULTIVATED BLUEBERRIES

Not only does the blueberry produce big juicy berries 2 to 3 times as large as common blueberries, but it is ornamental on the lawn or in the shrubbery border and very easy to grow. The foliage is dark green, long and nar-

row, blossoms bell-shaped and pinkish white. During the autumn the leaves turn bronze, and during the winter months the twigs are red. The bushes will grow to the height of 8 feet.

For the best results plant on acid soil. Low muck or sand soils are usually very acid. If your soil does not contain acid add a little peat moss for acidity when planting. Plant two or more plants to insure proper poliniza-tion. If your soil is not acidity, mix the soil with old sawdust or soil from the bottom of an old wood pile. Set the plant and fill the hole with the same mixture and keep the soil moist. Write to the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., for Bulletin on Cultivated Blueberries. It's FREE.

RUBEL — (Early-Midseason). The bush is upright, very vigorous, hardy and productive. Ships well. Is a producer of large size fruit, and a heavy bearer.

RANCOCAS—This is good midseason variety. It is of excellent quality, and a very good shipper. The bush does not grow quite as tall as Rubel, but it produces a lot of fruit over a long picking season.

JERSEY - Midseason to late. Bushes grow upright, fruit is extra large and firm, good quality. Jersey is the best commercial variety.

# MICHIGAN STATE DEPART-MENT OF AGRICULTURE BUREAU OF PLANT INDUSTRY

This is to certify that the Blueberry Fruit Stock of Zilke Brothers Nursery (Plants), Baroda, has been examined and found apparently free from the Stunt Disease as well as other diseases and insects. Fee paid, \$1.00. Chas. Figy,

Director
This certificate is to be void after September 15, 1951.

C. A. Boyer Chief Bureau of Plant Industry. Lansing, Mich., August 20, 1950.

GIANT BLUEBERRIES Just Think! Giant berries, many three-fourths of an inch across. Plump and juicy, sweet and full-flavored. Mild enough to be included in any diet. Fresh ripe berries require no sugar, canned berries very little. Ideal for freezing and very delicious for pies. Every bush is a heavy producer, four bushes in your yard will provide enough berries

PRICES FOR RUBEL, RANCOCAS AND JERSEY

	2	5	10	25	100
1	Year Plants, 3-6 Inch\$0.70	\$1.50	\$2.75	\$6.50	\$22.50
2	Year Plants, 6-12 Inch 1.30	3.00	5.50	12.50	44.50
3	Year Plants, 12-18 Inch 2.30	4.50	8.50	19.00	70.00
4	Year Plants, 18-24 Inch 3.50	8.25	15.50	35.00	125.00
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STANLEY—Berries are the most delicious in flavor of all Blueberries, according to the Agricultural Experiment Station at Geneva, N. Y. Considered to be one of the most promising new varieties.

PEMBERTON—The most vigorous grower. Bush considered most vigorous of all varieties. Very productive of very large berries, firm with slight aroma and good dessert quality. Liked because of its vigorous bush and large size berry.

CONCORD (Midseason Beauty). Upright bush often exceeds six feet at maturity. Young growth has beautiful red wood. Medium berries of the most excellent flavor. Productiveness favored by many experienced growers.

#### PRICES FOR STANLEY, CONCORD & PEMBERTON

			1	3	10
2	Yr.	6-12 Inch	\$0.85	\$2.25	\$6.50
			1.50	3.75	10.50
			2.15	5.75	16.75
5	Yr.	24-30 Inch	2.65	7.25	21.25

### COLLECTION NO. 6 BEARING AGE BLUEBERRY

HEAVY 4 YEAR, 18 TO 24 INCH PLANTS

1 RUBEL, best early to midseason 1 RANCOCAS, best midseason blueberry

I JERSEY, best midseason to late

SPECIAL PRICE, 3 PLANTS FOR ......\$4.45

for pies throughout the season.

#### LOST LABEL BLUEBERRY PLANTS

We offer you these plants at the following low prices, please remember these plants are GUARAN-TEED IN EVERY WAY, and will be sold as mixed. If you do not care about named varieties, BUT IF YOU DO WANT TO SAVE MONEY—BY ALL MEANS DO NOT PASS UP THIS SPECIAL OFFER.

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ļ	8	to	12	inches	tall	\$	1.50	<b>\$</b> 3.25	\$5.45
ĺ	12	to	18	inches	tall		2.25	4.45	7.45
	18	to	24	inches	tall		3.15	<b>6.25</b>	10.95
	24	to	30	inches	tall	***************************************	4.25	8.00	14.95

# BE SURE TO PLANT GOOD SEED



To save you the trouble of searching through endless seed catalogs and descriptions, we have selected for you the best and most popular varieties. We pay the postage on seeds.

IMPORTANT—If your order calls for nursery stock and seeds, the seeds will be shipped by prepaid parcel post and in some cases the seeds will be included in the nursery stock shipment, in this case, we will include free seeds or other free stock to help cover the extra postage charges.

IN ANY CASE DO NOT BECOME ALARMED, YOU WILL BE TREATED FAIR.

#### BEANS—1/4 lb. 20¢; 1/2 lb. 35¢; 1 lb. 60¢; 2 lbs. \$1.00 POSTPAID

BURPEE'S STRINGLESS—Attractive round green pods, tender, brittle, meaty, juicy, entirely stringless and of the finest flavor. High quality green-pod bush bean. For home use, canning, freezing and commercial, ships well.

BRITTLE-WAX—Stringless, handsome, rich golden yellow pods, slightly curved. Flesh is tender, extremely brittle and of the finest flavor. Very productive. Highly prized for home, market, freezing and canning.

FORDHOOK BUSH LIMA BEAN—The leading variety for home garden, freezing or commercial use. Excellent quality and delicious flavor, creamy colored when ripe. Plants grow stiff and upright, vigorous and very productive.

### BEETS-15¢ per Pkg.; 1 oz. 25¢; 1/4 lb. 70¢; 1 lb. \$2.00 POSTPAID

**DETROIT DARK RED**—The roots are globe-shaped, smooth and uniform, with small tap root. The flesh is very dark blood-red, tender, fine grained, exceptionally sweet. Best for home garden, market, freezing and canning.

# CABBAGE—15¢ per Pkg.; 1/2 oz. 25¢; 1 oz. 40¢ POSTPAID

COPENHAGEN MARKET—Extremely early cabbage, well rounded, solid heads of excellent quality, about 7 inches in diameter and 6 inches deep, weighing about 4 to 5 lbs. Is of excellent flavor and desirable for early kraut making.

LARGE LATE FLAT DUTCH—Valuable for fall and winter use, whether for home, market or shipping. One of the largest, 10 to 12 inches across, 6 to 7 inches deep and weighs 10 to 15 lbs. Can of course be used when much smaller.

### CARROT—15¢ per Pkg.; 1/2 oz. 25¢; 1 oz. 40¢; 1/4 lb. \$1.25 POSTPAID

DANVERS HALF LONG—Well-known, heavy cropping carrot, orange-red skinned roots, 7 to 7½ in. long, 2 to 2½ in. in diameter and tapering to blunt end. Fine-grained, tender, rich in flavor and very sweet. Popular for freezing, home garden, winter storing, stock feeding and excellent for table use.

### CUCUMBER—15¢ per Pkg.; 1 oz. 25¢; 1/4 lb. 75¢; 1 lb. \$2.50 POSTPAID

CHICAGO PICKLING—Very productive, disease resistant and a vigorous grower. Fruits grow 6 to 7 in. long and 2½ in. thick, even size, square ended, rich dark green. Popular for years with leading pickle houses.

IMPROVED LONG GREEN—Popular for pickles or slicing, fruits are 10 to 12 in. long, 3 in. thick, beautiful glossy green skin and pure white, solid, tender, crisp flesh. Popular market pickle.

# POPCORN—1/4 lb. 20¢; 1/2 lb. 35¢; 1 lb. 60¢ POSTPAID

**SOUTH AMERICAN**—Kernels are large golden yellow and pop to immense size. Stalks are strong and sturdy, growing 5 to 6 feet tall; usually produce two and three ears on a stalk. The most popular popcorn.

# SWEET CORN—1/4 lb. 20¢; 1/2 lb. 35¢; 1 lb. 60¢ POSTPAID

- GOLDEN BANTAM—Plants grow 5 to 6 ft. tall, ears are slender, 5½ to 7 inches long, with 8 even rows of broad, moderately deep, golden kernels of delicious flavor. Highly prized for home gardening and freezing.
- **FOWELL'S EVERGREEN**—Ears 7 to 8 in. long, with 16 to 20 rows of white, sweet, tender, meaty, juicy kernels, excellent quality. Holds its tender sweetness for a long time. Valuable for home, market and canning.
- GOLDEN CROSS BANTAM, (Hybrid)—Most widely used of all hybrids for canning, freezing, market shipping and the favorite home garden main-crop yellow hybrid. Ears have 10 to 14 rows of sweet, golden-yellow kernels. 1/4 lb. 25¢; 1 lb. 75¢ postpaid.
- HYBRID STOWELL'S EVERGREEN, (Hybrid)—Ears 7½ to 9 in. long, 14 to 18 rows of deep, medium-wide, white kernels which are very sweet and tender. Recommended for home, market, freezing and canning. Stalks 8 to 10 ft. ¼ 1b. 30¢; ½ 1b. 50¢; 1 lb. 80¢ postpaid.

# MUSKMELLON-10¢ per Pkg.; 1 oz. 35¢; 1/4 lb. \$1.10 POSTPAID

HEART OF GOLD—Medium size melons, nicely netted and weigh about 3 lbs. The flesh is rich, deep orange and of the sweetest flavor, ripens close to the rind. Heavy cropper, popular for home and market gardener. Good shipper.

# WATERMELLON-15¢ per Pkg.; 1 oz. 25¢; 1/4 lb. 80¢ POSTPAID

**KLECKLEY'S SWEET**—The skin is attractive, solid bluish-green color. Flesh is dark red, fine texture sweet and juicy. Fruits are 12 in. in diameter, 24 in. long and weigh about 40 lbs. Splendid for home garden and market.

# PUMPKIN—10¢ per Pkg.; 1 oz.; 25¢; 1/4 lb. 65¢ POSTPAID

- SMALL SUGAR—Round slightly ribbed fruits of medium size, bright orange skin and rich orange flesh which is meaty, sweet and fine grained. Wonderful for pies, in fact the popular pie pumpkin.
- CONNECTICUT FIELD—Large orange fruit average 18 pounds, round and flat on the ends, with a smooth hard rind. Thick, dry, sweet orange-yellow flesh, desirable for canning and for pies, also used for stock feeding.

# ONION-15¢ per Pkg.; 1/2 oz. 45¢; 1 oz. 80¢ POSTPAID

**UTAH SWEET SPANISH**—Large, globe-shaped, very mild, fine grained and sweet, excellent for cooking or for use in salads or otherwise. Uniform in size, have light yellow skin and pure white, firm, crisp, tasty flesh.

### **PEAS**—1/4 lb. $20\phi$ ; 1/2 lb. $35\phi$ ; 1 lb. $65\phi$ ; 2 lbs. \$1.15 **POSTPAID**

- BLUE BANTAM (extra early)—One of the best, sweetest, most delicious peas for home garden and market. Large dark green pods, heavy yielder, long bearing season. Pods are 4 in. long, contain 7 to 9 peas, excellent flavor, good for freezing.
- **DWARF TELEPHONE** (main crop)—Vines grow about 24 in. tall are stout and bear a good crop of large pods 4½ in long and 7 to 9 peas in a pod. Fruits are large, excellent quality and fine flavor. Suitable for quick freezing.

### RADISH— $10\phi$ per Pkg.; 1 oz. $25\phi$ ; 1/4 lb. $80\phi$ POSTPAID

- **SCARLET GLOBE**—Bright scarlet radish, 1 in. in diameter, olive-shaped. It is crisp and tasty, with fine white flesh and a medium size top, right for bunching. Excellent for market or home garden.
- WHITE ICICLE—The popular white radish. Skin is pure white, thin and tender, flesh is icy white, crisp, juicy, perfectly mild and wonderful sweet flavor. Roots grow about 1 in. in diameter and 5 in. long, straight and free of side roots.

# DILL—10¢ per Pkg.; 25¢ per oz. POSTPAID

GENUINE DILL.—The dry or green branches and seeds are used for flavoring dill pickles. The green leaves are used for flavoring soups, stews and sauces.

EGGPLANT—15¢ per Pkg.; 1/2 oz. 55¢; 1 oz. \$1.00 POSTPAID

BLACK BEAUTY—The fruits are a rich, deep purplish black and grow to a good size, but may be used when smaller. Fruits are free of spines or thornes. Suitable for freezing. Very productive. Holds its color well.

# LETTUCE-15¢ per Pkg.; 1 oz. 30¢; 1/4 lb. 90¢ POSTPAID

- **BLACK SEEDED SIMPSON** (leaf lettuce)—Highly recommended loosehead or cutting lettuce. Leaves are broad, light-green, frilled and crumpled. Grows quickly, is early and of extra fine quality. The flavor is delicate and appetizing.
- HANSON HEAD LETTUCE—Entirely free from any bitter taste, highest quality, mild, tender, and juicy. Reliable for heading, even during midsummer, one of the most popular head lettuce. Beautiful light green leaves, crisp texture.

# SQUASH-10¢ per Pkg.; 1 oz. 35¢; 1/4 lb. \$1.10 POSTPAID

- TRUE HUBBARD—Fruits are fairly large with dark bronze-green warty skin, attractive deep orange-yellow flesh which is fine-grained, sweet and dry. Weighs about 12 lbs., the standard winter squash, whether for freezing, home, market or shipping. Excellent for pies, baking or boiling.
- **TABLE QUEEN** (acorn squash)—Acorn-shaped, 5 in. long and 4 in. thick, deeply ribbed, dark green skin and thick orange flesh that cooks dry and sweet. Baked halves make popular individual servings. Good keeper.

# PARSNIP-10¢ per Pkg.; 1 oz. 30¢; 1/4 lb. 90¢ POSTPAID

LONG HOLLOW CROWN—Fully developed roots grow about 12 inches long and 2% in. thick at the shoulder, white flesh, fine grained and of superior flavor. Most popular variety.

# SPINACH-10¢ per Pkg.; 1 oz. 25¢; 1/4 lb. 75¢ POSTPAID

**BLOOMINGDALE LONG STANDING**—Glossy dark green leaves, intensely crinkled, and of very heavy texture. Quick growing hardy spinach popular for home use, market as well as for canning. Heavy yielder of delicious greens.

# TURNIP—10¢ per Pkg.; 1 oz. 20¢; 1/4 lb. 60¢ POSTPAID

**PURPLE TOP WHITE GLOBE.**—The roots will grow to about 4 to 5 in. across, nearly round and show a bright purplish red color on the upper part of the root, lower portion is creamy white. Flesh is white, firm, crisp, and of mild-sweet flavor raw or cooked. Popular for home garden, market, shipping, freezing and winter storage.

# TOMATOES-15¢ per Pkg.; 1/2 oz. 50¢; 1 oz. 90¢ POSTPAID

- BONNY BEST (early)—Fruits are smooth, solid, scarlet red, globe shaped, medium size. Vigorous growing vines, yields heavy crops, excellent for shipping, canners, market and home use.
- EUTGEES (late)—Globular in shape, smooth, bright red, heavy walls and small cells. Valuable for canning and juice. Vine is vigorous, heavy and healthy. Fruits are of good color and excellent size and quality.

# ZILKE'S EVERBLOOMING ROSES

Strong 2-year Field Grown Bushes, each 80c; 5 for \$3.75; 10 for \$7.00

Our bud selected Roses are 2 yr. heavy field grown extra selected, carefully budded, super size bushes that will bloom all summer and fall, producing blooms much larger than the ordinary bushes offered by most nurseries or mail order houses at so-called low prices.

**THE DOCTOR**—This is considered by many to be the most beautifully colored of all roses. The long, pointed buds open into simply enormous, yet graceful blooms, so fragrant that you can detect them many yards away. It is a pink with a life, an iridescence, a sheen that is beyond description. Each flower is so perfect, so gorgeous, that you will consider it almost priceless. It is far more beautiful than can be described.

AMI QUINARD—A variety which is here to stay, beats all others; best near black Rose in our estimation. Deep velvety crimson, fragrant and very lasting. A vigorous shrubby plant, with almost single flowers of deep blackish-scarlet.

**COLUMBIA**—Full petaled rose-pink buds deepening as the blossom opens; erect on long stems; vigorous, intensely fragrant, and a good keeper.

**CONDESA DE SASTAGO**—It is the first fully double variety to carry the vivid color of coppery red and yellow. Very hardy, vigorous, healthy growth. Has rich raspberry perfume. Keeps well when cut for indoor enjoyment.

**LUXEMBURG**—An old variety, but one of the finest very bright yellow. A robust, easy growing, free-flowering Rose. Bright copper-yellow with graceful slim buds. Profuse bloomer, strong grower.

**EDITH NELLIE PERKINS**—Salmon-pink. Long-pointed buds of cream, orange, and rosy carmine open to salmon flowers, heavily overspread with gold on the inside of the petals, while the reverse is rosy carmine. Fine for cutting.

ETOILE DE HOLLANDE—Large, velvety crimson flower produced in great profusion throughout summer. Deliciously perfumed. Vigorous upright grower. An excellent red Rose.

EDITOR MCFARLAND—The perfectly formed flowers are clear brilliant, unfading pink, and as a cut flower it retains its form and lasts longer than any other Rose we know. A winner of many awards. The growth is vigorous, the foliage healthy, and it blooms all the time from early summer to frost.

**GOLDEN DAWN**—Ovoid, lemon-yellow bud is splashed with crimson, opening into a well formed, sweetly scented, double sunflower yellow bloom.

RED RADIANCE—Cerise-red. A sport of Radiance, it has the same form, habit of growth, fragrance, and healthy foliage. The difference is in the color, which is an even shade of cerise-red. Like Radiance it is long lived, free blooming and does well under a wide variety of growing conditions.



Talisman



Rouge Mallerin

RADIANCE, PINK—The great American pink rose. Planted everywhere because it has made good all over America. The fragrant flowers are produced abundantly all season.

GRENOBLE—Glowing scarlet-crimson. The plant is very vigorous and the blooms come on unusually long stems, making it one of the best garden Roses for cutting. Easily one of the best reds.

GOLDEN CHARM—A delightful golden colored Rose which is sturdy in growth, very hardy, and produces great numbers of blooms each year. Buds are long and open into beautiful, richly scented blooms.

MRS. P. S. DUPONT—From early summer until freezing, this rose is a glorious sight with its rich yellow flowers. It was the favorite yellow rose at the Fair.

PRESIDENT HOOVER—A glorious combination of cerise-toned orange, scarlet and yellow. Recognized as one of America's best roses. Richly perfumed, long stemmed and free blooming. A perfect rose for cutting.

POINSETTIA—One of the most brilliant scarlet Roses we know of. The true poinsettia color. Bush is sturdy and hardy and a good grower. Buds are long, borne in abundance and open slowly into gorgeous blooms.

TALISMAN—Its brilliant orange-red buds open to large, fragrant, high-pointed blooms of glowing golden yellow stained with copperred and orange-rose on inside of petals. As the petals unfold, they become bright apricot-gold, deep rose-pink or old rose, and unlike most Roses, the color becomes brighter as the flowers develop. Plants are vigorous, healthy and hardy growers.

ROUGE MALLERIN—The pointed buds of brilliant red open to 31 inch blooms of glowing scarlet, the deep pile on the petals making them look like rich scarlet velvet. Rich old Damask perfume.

PINK DAWN—A new rose that is fine for both garden and cutting. The buds are lovely, and open into large, fully double flowers of clear, purest pink, extremely fragrant. A vigorous grower.

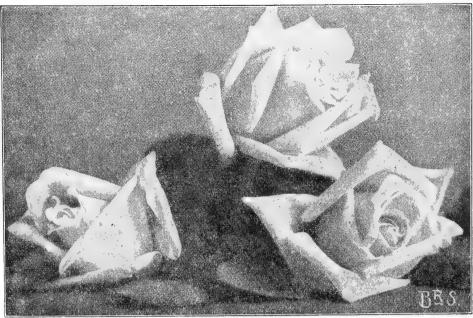
KONIGIN LOUISE-Large pure white, double, very strong grower.

FRAU KARL DRUSCHKI—The magnificent white rose that is loved by all. Immense long pointed buds open into graceful flowers that are unsurpassed for form and the color is the clearest, pure white. Perfectly hardy. Such a vigorous grower you should plant them farther apart.

# EVERBLOOMING ROSES AS TO COLOR

Imagine getting, fine, heavy, field grown everblooming roses at our new low sale prices. The Roses that we fill your order with are genuine everblooming varieties, same as we listed in our 1951 catalog, only you order by color instead of variety. You order and select the color and we select the variety. We do this because we often have a surplus of certain varieties, therefore, this plan avoids waste for us and results in a big saving to you if you are not interested in names.

We offer red, pink, yellow, two-toned and white.



Konigan Louise

Everblooming Bush Roses, Regular 2 yr. size, 2 for \$1.35; 5 for \$3.00; 10 for \$5.50 State color or colors Wanted

### **5 PLANTS FOR ONLY \$2.50**

PLANTS ARE STRONG 2 YR. FIELD GROWN

In making up this special lot for your order, we will take one plant from each bunch, from five different bunches, in this way you are quite certain of getting 3 or 4 different varieties.

### LOST LABEL ROSES

Each year we have a few bunches of Everblooming Rose Bushes where the labels have been broken off and lost, so we do not know the variety. This special lot of roses are all good varieties, first, class plants, but without labels as to variety. While this special lot of EVERBLOOMING ROSES lasts we offer them to you at extremely low prices.

#### **POLYANTHA OR DWARF ROSES**

Strong 2-year Field Grown Bushes, each \$1.00; 5 for \$4.50.

Polyantha Roses are so desirable because their uses are almost limitless. Brilliant beds along the drive or walk, edgings for other plantings or grown as specimen plants here and there about the garden, their brilliantly colored blooms give an air of gaiety from early summer until late fall. Plant them 12 to 15 inches apart for edgings, 18 to 24 inches apart in beds. Good ordinary soil is all that they require, but keep well watered the first season after planting and at any other time when dry weather demands it. Extremely hardy, they will last for years after once established. Trim back each spring to about 6 inches above the ground.

**CECILE BRUNNER**—Coppery-red, two-toned color. **KATHERINA ZEMET**—Beautiful snow-white.

# HARDY RUGOSA OR SHRUB ROSES

Rugosa Roses are valuable because of hardiness, healthiness and ability to withstand almost anything. Particularly valuable for hedges or shrubberies in regions where the winters are very severe. Plants grow to a height of about 4 feet.

Strong 12 to 18 in. plants, \$1.00 each; 5 for \$4.50.

AGNES-Double yellow Rugosa, fragrant, blooms early.

**SIR THOMAS LIPTON**—It is one of the earliest Roses to bloom, starting to open its semi-double, pure white blossoms in late May and continuing freely until late fall. The exceptionally fine fragrance alone qualifies it as a garden Rose. For hardiness, tolerance and usefulness, Sir Thomas Lipton has no equal.

**AUSTRIAN COPPER**—Single brilliant orange-red flowers inside, and yellow outside.

HARRISON'S YELLOW—Fine double golden yellow flowers.

**GROOTENDORST**—An improved variety having large, fringed, cherry-red flowers borne on a fine, large, well foliaged bush. Excellent as a hedge.

BELLE POITEVINE—Double flowers of a clear pink.

# SHREWD BUYERS APPRECIATE THE SAVING OUR METHOD OF SELLING HAS MADE POSSIBLE

We realize highly colored catalogues printed on heavy glaze paper would be more attractive, however, you all understand that the buyers are really the ones who pay for fancy expensive catalogues. To pay for a big expensive catalogue the quality of the material sold must be lowered or the price must be raised. Shrewd buyers appreciate this.

# QUALITY PLANTS AT PRICES YOU CAN AFFORD TO PAY

# EVERBLOOMING CLIMBING ROSES

PLANT EVERBLOOMENG CLIMBING ROSES THIS SPRING AND ENJOY THEIR BLOOMS ALL SUMMER AND FALL

Strong 2 Yr. Size Field Grown Bushes, Each 85c; 5 for \$4.00.

ETOILE DE HOLLANDE-Large, velvety crimson flowers produced in great profusion throughout summer. Deliciously perfumed. Vigorous, upright grower. An excellent red Rose.

TALISMAN-Brilliant red and gold buds, opening to well-shaped blooms of scarlet-orange and rich yellow. Constantly in bloom, the most vivid color yet produced in Roses.

P. S. DUPONT-Long, pointed buds of reddish gold, opening to a semidouble, lasting and fragrant flower of deep golden yellow. Profuse and continuous bloomer.

E. G. HILL-Bud very beautiful; flower immense, unusually lasting, dazzling scarlet, shading to a deeper, pure red as it develops, but never showing purple; borne on long stem. Foliage abundant, of fine color. Growth vigorous; very free bloomer.

LUXEMBURG-An old variety, but one of the finest very bright yellow. A robust, easy growing, free-flowering Rose. Bright copper-yellow with graceful slim buds. Profuse bloomer, strong grower.

BLAZE-A brilliant scarlet-crimson resembling Paul's Scarlet Climber in general appearance but differing in strong tendency to produce on established plants intermittent blooms throughout the summer and fall from the first eye below the June clusters. Plant in good soil as the more it grows, the more it blooms. \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.50.



# HARDY CLIMBING ROSES

FOR MASS DISPLAY OF COLOR NOTHING CAN EQUAL CLIMBING ROSES IN FULL BLOOM Strong 2 Yr. Size Field Grown Bushes, Each 80¢; 5 for \$3.75; 10 for \$7.00

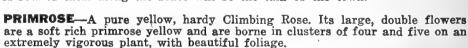
SILVER MOON—Large, semi-double flowers of rich ivory-white with a center of bright yellow stamens. Spreads very rapidly and solid. Very hardy.

SEVEN SISTERS-The Dainty Baby Pink-Big clusters of the daintiest little baby-pink roses you ever saw! Double and sweetly scented. Blooms a long time every summer. Rapid grower.

DR. VAN FLEET-Large flowers of exquisite light pink, on long stems; very strong, hardy grower.

PAUL'S SCARLET—This famous rose is the most popular red climbing rose ever introduced. A mature plant in full bloom is a sight that simply stops everybody who passes by. It is a solid sheet of blazing scarlet. The color does not fade but is as bright when last petals fall as when it opened. flowers come in clusters on long stems. Plant them on a trellis or porch. A row of them along the fence will be the talk of the town.

extremely vigorous plant, with beautiful foliage.



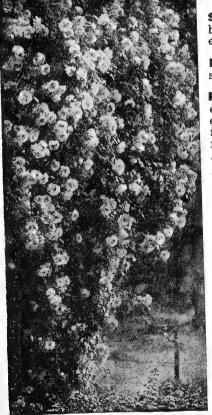
# HARDY EVERBLOOMING FLORIBUNDA ROSES

Strong 2-year Field Grown Bushes, each \$1.00; 5 for \$4.50 **BLOOM JUNE TO FROST—REMARKABLY HARDY** 

These are becoming increasingly popular because the plants are hardy, disease-resistant, vigorous and bloom so freely from spring to frost. Plant in groups, beds or borders, 12 to 18 inches apart.

RED RIPPLE-Flowers are semi-double, open, slightly fragrant, beautiful oxblood-red to carmine.

FLORADORA—Scarlet and geranium red floribunda producing double 25 petaled flowers. Height 21/2 feet. A.A.R.S. 1945 award.



# MAKE YOUR HOUSE A HOME - PLANT SHRUBS

### THE BUTTERFLY BUSH OR SUMMER LILAC FAMILY

ILE DE FRANCE-Large flowers of rich deep purple, borne in long panicles. 60c each; 3 for \$1.65.

PINK CHARMING-The nearest to a pink of any variety thus far produced. Has exceptional value for house decoration. 2 yr. plants, 60c each; 3 for \$1.65.



Pink Weigela Rosea

WHITE SNOWBANK-A new white beautiful Buddleia carrying 8 to 12 inch spikes of fully rounded-out blooms. Splendid for cut flower purposes. Prices: 2 yr. plants, 65c each; 3 for \$1.80.

DUBONNET-A new dark wine dubonnet Buddleia with firm, large spikes and individual flowers of large size that do not sunburn. One of the best in its color. 2 yr. plants, 60c each; 3 for \$1.65. ORCHID BEAUTY-An orchid pink with brilliant, orange eye and flowers heady up to 24 inches in length,

broad at base. Excellent for cut flowers. New and good. Heavy plants, 65c each; 3 for \$1.80.

RUSSIAN OLIVE-Rugged, treelike shrub, growing 10 to 12 feet high. Foliage is a beautiful, silvery gray, contrasting sharply with other shrubs. Flowers are deep golden and very fragrant, followed by ornamental yellowish-brown fruits with silvery scales. Heavy 18 to 24 inch plants, 50c each; 3 for \$1.35; Extra heavy 2 to 3 feet, 65c each; 3 for \$1.80.

#### WEIGELA BRISTOL RUBY

Best Red Weigela Grown-Flowers Throughout Summer and Fall!

Hardier and more vigorous than all other red Weigelias; makes a shapely, thrifty plant with attractive rich green foliage. Color of bloom is a soft ruby-red shading to garnet-crimson. Attains a height of 6 to 7 feet at maturity; requires very little pruning because it flowers well from old wood; no die-back or uneven growth. Heavy 18 to 24 inch, 85c each.



Tamarix Hispida

# GOLDEN BELL FORSYTHIA

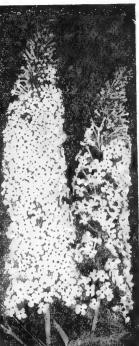
FORSYTHIA OR GOLDEN BELL — EARLY SPRING BLOOM

Earliest blooming, lights up the landscape with glinting yellow before the leaves appear. Flowers often come out before the snow is gone. This is the large flowering variety, having flowers twice the size of the older kinds. Thrives in any locality. Grows 8 to 10 feet tall. May be pruned. 2 yr. blooming size, 18-24 inch, 40c each; 3 for \$1.00; Heavy 2 to 3 ft. 60c each; 3 for \$1.50; Extra heavy 4 yr. old, 4 to 5 ft., \$1.25 each; 3 for \$3.00.

### TAMARIX

HISPIDA—The new bright pink. This is by far the best Tamarix and as a matter of fact is one of the finest of all shrubs. It grows 10 to 12 ft. tall if not pruned, but it can be kept down to any desired height. It grows in sun or

White Snowbank shade, in wet or dry places. The fine, feathery foliage is silvery-blue. Bright pink flowers appear more or less regularly all summer. 12 to 18 inch, 50c each; 3 for \$1.25.



#### SPIREA

FROEBELI-Red foliage in spring. If people knew this shrub better, it would be planted in large numbers. It makes a low, compact bush 3 to 32 feet tall. In the spring and fall, the foliage is a striking maroon color. In May-June, it is covered with clusters of bright rosy-pink flowers, and occasional blooms through the summer. An ideal border shrub in front of taller shrubs. Absolutely

hardy and grows everywhere, lasts a lifetime. 12 to 18 inch plants, 50¢ each: 3 for \$1.25.

HEAVENLY BLUE SPIREA - Dwarf grower; somewhat perennial-like, since in this locality the tops die back to the ground each winter, but reappear promptly on the approach of Spring, according an abundance of pleasing blue flowers throughout the Summer. 60¢ each; 3 for \$1.50.

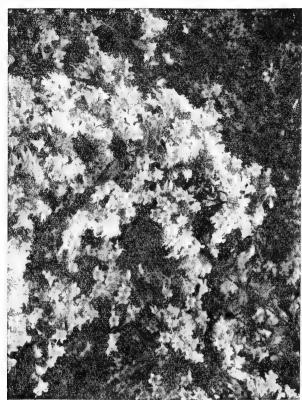
PINK WEIGELA ROSEA-The big round, dense, dark green shrub with hundreds of pink blossoms in June. Foliage rich and heavy. For breath-taking beauty this shrub can't be surpassed. Grows 4 to 6 feet. Strong 2 yr. 18-24 inch, 65c each; 3 for \$1.80.

Get This Beautiful New Bush Honeysuckle

This remarkable shrub will thrill you with its wonderful deep green foliage, its quick sturdy growth, its hardiness and its free blooming habit. All the fine qualities of the Bush Honeysuckle plus a distinctly new color of blooms. It thrives in most any location or in most any type soil. When it is in full bloom it is literally studded with glowing rosy red flowers of most exquisite fragrance. Mature height 8 feet. Heavy, 2-yr. blooming size, 65c each; 3 for \$1.80.



ALTHEA-Rose of Sharon. Beautiful tree-like shrub, blooming late in August and September with a profusion of large and brightly colored flowers. Grows 10 to 12 feet high. Attractive as a specimen or for hedges. We offer these in double-flowering type, assorted colors, red, pink, white, or purple. Heavy 18 to 24 inch shrubs, 50¢ each; 3 for \$1.35. State Color Wanted.



Beauty Bush

### HYDRANGEA. A. G.

HILLS OF SNOW—This magnificent hardy shrub is of the very finest, similar to old Snowball in flower but larger. Flowers large and very white, extra good for hedging and porch and group planting. 12-18 inch plants, 65c each; 3 for \$1.75.

#### WITCH-HAZEL

Hardly any other shrubs bloom in the late autumn, but that is the season when the Witch-Hazel flounts its brilliant yellow flowers. It blooms for a long period and has interesting fruits before the last blossoms have faded. Sometimes it is still in bloom when early snows come, but it is unharmed even by zero weather. Witch-Hazel will be an interesting and valuable addition to any shrub border. Grows 4 to 5 feet high. 12 to 18 inch plants, 65c each; 3 for \$1.80.

**IMPROVED CORALBERRY**—A 5 to 6 foot shrub with delicate, little pink flowers against a reddish green foliage, followed by coral colored berries that remain most of the winter. Keep birds near, with abundance of these berries. **Price:** 60c each; 3 for \$1.65.

VARIEGATED DOGWOOD (Elegantissima) — Handsome foliage has a creamy white edge; splendid as a specimen or in group plantings. Bright red bark; flowers in early summer followed by berries. 4-6 ft. at maturity. Ideal for the north side or other shady spots. Transplanted 15 to 18 inch, 70c each.

**GRAY DOGWOOD**—10 to 12 ft. clusters of white, winter berries on red stems. Of rather upright growth. Splendid for mass plantings. Heavy 15 to 18 inch, 60c each; 3 for \$1.65.

**ILEX-VERTILLATA** (Common Winterberry)—6 to 8 ft. The deep red berries, carried in abundance by this shrub, make it a very beautiful picture, continuously from early winter right up until February. A native deciduous shrub which succeeds in both swampy and dry soil. Heavy 12 to 18 inch, 65c each; 3 for \$1.80.

#### BEAUTY BUSH

Fragrant. For semi-shade or full sun. The gracefulness of the plant and its free flowering habit makes the Beauty Bush (Kolkwitzia) one of our finest flowering shrubs. It grows to about nine feet with the inner stems erect and the outer ones arching to the ground. Fragrant pink, tubular-shaped flowers are produced in abundance along the entire length of the branches. Makes an excellent lawn specimen or may be planted in the tall border. Perfectly hardy and will do well in semi-shade or full sun. 12 to 15 inch plants, 65c each; 3 for \$1.80.

#### HIGH BUSH CRANBERRY

viburnum opulus—A magnificent upright, spreading shrub. Has gray branches and bright green foliage which makes a rich setting for its many white clusters of flowers followed by large bunches of crimson berries, which remain on the bare branches far into the winter. Strong, 18 to 24 in., bushes, 65c each; 3 for \$1.80.

### **GREEN LEAF BARBERRY**

The Improved Barberry that is entirely free from rust and may be planted in any state. A beautiful plant, whether used for group planting, shrub masses or hedges. Foliage bright green, turning to reddish bronze in fall. Brighter colors obtained in a sunny location. Branches loaded with scarlet berries in fall that are retained during the winter. Heavy 12 to 15 inch transplants, heavy rooted, well-branched, 3 for 75c; 6 for \$1.35; 12 for \$2.35; 15-20 inch, 45c each; 3 for \$1.20; 10 for \$3.50.

### **NEW GOLDEN PRIVET**

New hardy privet that carries golden-yellow leaves, providing a wealth of interesting contrasts from early spring until late fall. Develops a neat compact shrub that can be trimmed into any shape. The bright yellow foliage, making it a fine specimen or as a color accent in the shrub border. Suitable for use as an individual shrub, or for hedging. Strong 12 to 15 inch plants, 60c each; 3 for \$1.65; 10 for \$5.00.

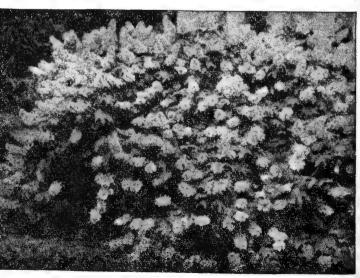
#### OAK LEAF HYDRANGEA

A rather new and rare shrub that is a joy to behold. In June it has superb panicles of white flowers, often a foot long. The foliage resembles oak leaves and is attractive all season, especially so in the fall when it colors a glorious deep, rich crimson. It makes a large, spreading bush 5 to 6 feet tall and 8 to 10 feet wide at maturity. It will certainly be the center of attraction in your yard. Grows in sun or partial shade and is perfectly hardy. 15 to 18 inch plants, 55c each; 3 for \$1.50.

# CORRECT PLANTING BOOKLET

Sixteen pages of valuable information on planting, pruning and general care of plants, shrubs, trees, etc. Everyone interested in plants should have this book. Supply limited.

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Oak Leaf Hydrangea

weigela, Henhersoni—This is one of the hardiest of the Weigela. A splendid shrub; produces quantities of light crimson flowers, during May and June. Grows to about 7 feet in height. Heavy 15 to 18 inch plants, 60¢ each; 3 for \$1.60.

**RICHMENSIS SPIREA**—Grows to a height of about 5 feet and carries broad spikes of beautiful bright pink flowers amid graceful foliage. Heavy 12 to 18 inch, 65¢ each; 3 for \$1.75.

**CRAPE MYRTLE** (Lagerstroemia Indica)—Classed by many as the finest flowering garden shrub. Often known as the Lilac of the South. Fully hardy as far north as northern Maryland. In more northern locations it dies back to the ground each winter, but as it is the habit of Crape Myrtle to bloom on new wood, the new canes that sprout from the vigorous root system each spring are a mass of flowers by mid-summer, the large attractive blooms being a rich red, pink or purple, your choice of these colors. 65¢ each; 3 for \$1.80. 18 to 24 inch plants.

**AZALEA MOLLIS**—Truly one of the aristocrats of the flower family, absolutely hardy, and covered with a mass of orange and yellow blossoms in May and early June before the leaves appear. Azalea Mollis is a most strikingly beautiful shrub on our grounds and attracts more attention through the month of May than anything else in our gardens. Plant as a border or in beds by themselves. These plants are loaded with flower buds. Heavy 8 to 12 inch plants, \$1.25 each; 3 for \$3.25.



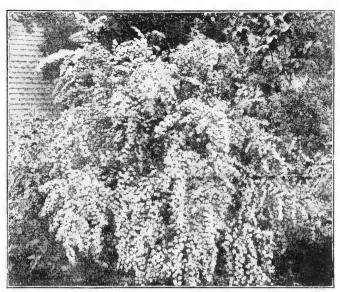
Winterberry

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SPIREA PRUNIFOLIA (The True Old-Fashioned Bridal Wreath)—Small tight pure-white blossoms borne in great profusion in early spring. Glossy, round green leaves during the summer, which turn to pleasing shades in autumn. Tall, upright growing shrub, reaching a height of 8 feet when fully matured. Very hardy. 2-yr., 18 to 24 in. shrubs, 65¢ each; 3 for \$1.80.

**RED SNOWBERRY SHRUB**—This is the greatest shrub for shady places that we have ever seen. Grows to a height of 5 feet with gracefully arching branches and lacy foliage. Blooms are followed in fall by glowing red berries, twice the size of the old Indian Currant and as red as those of the High Bush Cranberry. 2-yr. shrubs,  $60\phi$  each; 3 for \$1.60.

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Spirea Van Houttei

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PINK PERSIAN LILAC—The pink Persian lilac is a bushy compact grower, with large, attractive leaves, and pink flowers. 2-yr. plants 18 to 24 inches, 75¢ each; 3 for \$2.00.

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### **SUB-ZERO HYBRID TEA ROSES**

EASIER TO GROW—LONGER TO LIVE SAVE REPLACEMENT EXPENSE

The Sub-Zero Hybrid Tea Roses are a new race grown from hardier Species that can bloom all summer, with the best of fragrant flowers, more free and constantly, of greater sturdiness and vigor, live many times as long even after sub-zero winters. This new race of roses will not winter kill even in temperatures that dip to 25 degrees below zero. Where 10 to 15 degrees below zero Fahrenheit or colder is expected, hill up 8 inches with clean dirt, bank up with sods, grass side outside, seal top and edges with clean dirt. All rose wood on Sub-Zero Hybrid Teas and Climbers may, if unprotected, be destroyed by temperatures around 15 degrees below zero or colder. Do not dig up for dead if killed to bed level. Like a Peony from eyes below ground normal plants can grow from live roots, to bloom normally by early Rose time, larger each year even after low sub-zero. BEST OF ALL, THEY ARE FREE BLOOMING AND HAVE LONG STEMS THAT LAST A LONG TIME.

RED DUCHESS—Pleasingly fragrant, the magic of sunshine on these petals issues a new fragrance incomparably alluring in spicy sweetness and charm. Most beautiful shade of rose-red, with colorful, persistent foliage.

**CURLY PINK**—Many large, two-toned pink blossoms, in several stages, often form a gorgeous bouquet on a single stem, over 50 graceful recurled petals.

**SHADES OF AUTUMN**—An abundant and joyous expression of bi-colored flowers. Many have reported that this beautiful red, yellow and blush flower is gorgeously outstanding.

V FOR VICTORY—Most beautiful, large very double, yellow, fragrant Roses, constantly blooming.

PRICES FOR ABOVE ROSES—Strong 2-year Field Grown Plants, \$1.75 Each; 3 for \$5.00.

# Zilke's Ornamental and Flowering Shrubs

Perfected flower types in size, form, freedom and color. These hybrids give a vast amount of fragrant spring bloom in compact panicles and varied shades. The growth is comparatively short and stocky, easily trained into round-headed small tree formation.

ZILKE'S HYBRID LILACS ARE GRAFTED BY EXPERTS AND WILL NOT SUCKER, DO NOT CONFUSE OUR STOCK WITH ORDINARY PLANTS.

PRESIDENT GREVY—A clear, soft, delicate blue. Has immense panicles which are extremely double and symmetrical. Considered one of the best varieties. 15 to 18 inch plants, 75c each; 3 for \$2.00.

LUDWIG SPAETH—One of the very best lilacs grown. Long spikes of bloom held erect, and above the foliage. Color an intense purple-red, lasting a long time. Bush large, and a profuse bloomer. 2 yr. 15 to 18 inch plants, 75c each; 3 for \$2.00.

CHAS. X-One of the older varieties, but one of the best. In great demand because of its profuse blooming qualities. Violet-red in color, and unsurpassed for cut flowers. 2 yr. 15 to 18 inch plants, 75c each; 3 for \$2.00.

**L. H. BERRYER**—Very good double lilac, rare variety. 2 yr. 15 to 18 inch plants, 75c each; 3 for \$2.00.

MAURICE BARRES—Heavy bearer of beautiful blue single flowers. 2 yr. 15 to 18 inch plants, 75c each; 3 for \$2.00.



French Hybrid Lilac



Mock Orange (Bouquet Blanc)

LEMOINE - A very large double rich creamy white. 2 yr. 15 to 18 inch plants, 75c each; 3 for \$2.00.

LEON GAMBETTA - Rich double pink. 2 yr. 15 to 18 inch plants, 75c each; 3 for \$2.00.

RUHM VON HORSTENSTEIN Beautiful red, single flowers. 2 yr. 16 to 18 inch plants, 70c each; 3 for \$2.00.

MOCK ORANGE (Virginal)-Blooms throughout the season. This wonderful Mock Orange is without question one of the most wonderful of the shrubs.

Single flowers on one-year wood; double flowers on two-year wood. Grows 6 to 8 feet in height and is a valuable addition to any shrub group. Blooms with single flowers on new growth all summer. Heavy 12 to 18 inch blooming size plants, 65c each; 3 for \$1.75.

MOCK ORANGE (Bouquet Blanc)—Ever blooming. Grows 8 to 10 ft. high and produces clusters of fragrant double flowers in June and later, also intermittently until fall. Plant 5 feet apart; ordinary soil; ordinary moisture; sun or partial shade. Prices: Heavy 18 to 24 inch plants, 65c each; 3 for \$1.75.

TRUE BLUE HYDRANGEA-You must have at least two of these lovely colored Hydrangeas! Plant them two feet apart. They grow about two feet tall. Increase in beauty each year. Blooms pink on the new wood, blue on the old wood. Sometimes old wood freezes back in winter but roots are hardy and throw up new growth in spring. Light mulching helps in colder climates. Likes sun or semi-shade. Prefers acid soil. Field grown plants. \$1.25 each; 2 for \$2.00.



Hydrangea P. G.

HYDRANGEA P. G .- Flowers in August and September with huge panicles, sometimes a foot long. Blooms

are first a delicate pink, turning to bronze in early autumn. Fine winter decoration if flowers are allowed to dry on bush. 2 yr., 12 to 18 in., blooming grade, 65c each; 3 for \$1.75.

PERSIAN LILAC—The sure blooming lilac. Grows 6 to 8 ft. These new "sure bloomers" are like Grandmother grew—except these will bloom the first year after planting. No need to wait 3 or 4 years for your lilacs to bloom. These are hardy as all lilacs, graceful, don't sucker, extremely fragrant. Reddish purple flowers during April and May. Heavy 12 to 18 inch plants, 65c each; 3 for \$1.75.

FRENCH PUSSY WILLOW-Not the wild pussy willow but a cultivated variety that has made a sensation wherever it has been shown. Branches of this variety have been selling at retail during the winter months in cities at from \$1.00 to \$2.00 per dozen. You can grow them on your lawn. Enjoy these dainty silvery flowers every winter. A beautiful round shrub in summer. Wherever you have room for a Lilac or Snowball, you have room for a Pussy Willow. Use them for tall screens or back-grounds. Cut the ends of the branches in January or February. Place them indoors in a vase of water. Watch them unfold their large catkins of silvery pink, from 1 to 2 ins. long. They will repay you many times their cost in pleasure. Heavy 18 to 24 inch plants, 60c each; 3 for \$1.50.

FLOWERING ALMOND - Earliest spring-flowering shrub, in full bloom before the leaves appear. Beautiful pearly pink, double blooms snuggle tight to the twigs, completely covering the bush. Medium height, reaching about 4 feet. 2 yr. 12 to 18 inch blooming size plants, 65¢ each; 3 for \$1.80.

### DOGWOOD OR CORNUS

FOR BEAUTIFUL BARK

The Dogwoods are valuable for their foliage in summer, brilliancy of fruits in fall, and highly colored barks in winter. All varieties do well in sun or shade, and afford excellent contrast in shrub groups, while the berries attract birds in fall and winter.

GOLDEN-BRANCHED-6 ft. A broad bush with bright yellow bark. Strikingly conspicuous when combined with the red barked varieties. Small white flowers; white berries. Very attractive. Prices: Heavy 24 to 36 inch plants, 80c each; 3 for \$2.10. RED-BRANCHED-8 ft. Bright coral-red bark. Yel-

lowish white flowers in spring and a profusion of bluish white berries in the fall. Prices: Heavy 24 to 36 inch plants, 80c each; 3 for \$2.10.

# BEAUTIFUL FLOWERING SHRUBS

#### GIANT BEAUTIFUL BLUE ALTHEA

This gorgeous, unusually attractive shrub is truly an Aristocrat. It is exceedingly beautiful and picturesque. This rare new variety flowers late in summer after most other shrubs are out of bloom. The large flowers are often three inches across, and every branch is completely covered with lustrous lovely blue flowers from June until frost. Unlike most other flowers as the season advances it becomes more gorgeous and the vivid pure blue becomes more outstanding. Here is a shrub that will thrive under the most unfavorable conditions. It is not particular of the kind of soil, does well in low damp places and thrives in poor soil where there is but little moisture. It adapts itself to either sun or shade. Heavy 18-24 inch transplants, 65c each; 3 for \$1.80.

CALYCANTHUS (The Sweet-Scented Shrub) -- A fragrant shrub with chocolate colored flowers and shiny green leaves. Blooms nearly all summer. Grows to a height of about 8 to 10 feet. Should be set 4 to 5 feet apart in ordinary soil. 18 to 24 inch plants, 65c each; 3 for \$1.50.



Zilke's Genuine Smoke Tree

RED LEAF BARBERRY-There is nothing so strikingly brilliant in hardy shrubbery as our genuine true-red strain of Red-Leaf Barberry. Its abundance of thick, purplish-maroon leaves glisten in the sun, contrasting with the green and yellow of other plants. Valu-

able for single specimens, corner groups, and solid border hedges. Leaves bud out early in spring and remain into winter. Bush is covered with red berries which last all winter.



ZILKE'S BARBERRY IS HEAVY ROOTED, WELL BRANCHED, TRANSPLANTED

SMOKE TREE or Purple Fringe (Rhus Cotinus)-One of the most picturesque and unusual of the small ornamental trees. Its beautiful foliage of dense green is surmounted in autumn with loose,

feathery masses of tiny blue flowers, giving the entire tree the appearance of a dense cloud of smoke-a truly beautiful sight on any lawn. Do not confuse this with Cotinoides, an inferior southern species, frequently offered, but which is not the true Smoke Tree, and which is always unsatisfactory. Our stock is guaranteed true Rhus Cotinus—all Michigan grown. 18 to 24 inch transplants, 65c each; 3 for \$1.75; Transplanted 2-3 foot, 90c each; 2 for \$1.60.

WEIGELA EVA RATHKE-Bright red, bell-like flowers cover the plant in June and keep coming off and on all summer. Valuable in any planting for its big, dark green, glossy leaves. Best in partial shade. Grows 3 to 5 feet. Heavy 12 to 18 inch plants, 65c each; 3 for \$1.80.



Spiraea Van Houttei

SPIRAEA VAN HOUTTEI-A fine old favorite which has done more to beautify American lawns and porches than any shrub or bush known. Especially suitable for hedges, making a close, compact growth. Tall, spreading, vigorous grower. Small, dainty leaves, blooms late May and June, becomes a mass of snowy white along the entire length of the branches.

Good rooted well branched 18 to 24 inch plants, 23c each; 10 for \$1.85; 25 for \$4.25; 100 for \$14.00; Heavy 2 to 3 foot plants, 35c each; 10 for \$2.85; 25 for \$5.75; 50 for \$9.50; 100 for \$18.00.

SNOWBALL-The well known favorite, prized by every gardener. It really is one of the prettiest grown. It has immense globular clusters of flowers in May and June; grows 9 to 11 feet high. Valuable for specimen plants and also for grouping and massing. Heavy 12 to 18 inch blooming size plants, 70c each. DEUTZIA PRIDE OF ROCHESTER-Beautiful charming white flowers, tinted pink outside, cluster thickly all along the branches in June. Wonderful for cutting. Long narrow, green leaves. Grows 5 to 6 feet. Trim as desired. 18 to 24 inch blooming age shrubs, 50c each; 3 for \$1.30.

rue sweet-Scented Shrub

MOSS LOCUST-Sacred to Masonry. Elegant shrub with light green pinnate leaves and long, graceful clusters of pea-shaped, rose-pink flowers during the months of June and July. A beautiful plant for cemetery plantings. Genuine True Grafted Plants, 15 to 18 inch, 65c each; 3 for \$1.75.

RED JAPAN QUINCE (Burning Bush)-Very early in the spring, this fine, attractive shrub is completely covered with dazzling scarlet flowers, followed by small fragrant, quince-shaped fruits. Foliage is dark, glossy Very desirable for single specimens; also hedges Grow 5 feet tall. 2 yr. 2-3 ft. plants, 90c each; 2 for \$1.60; 12-18 inch, 50c each; 3 for \$1.35.

SIBERIAN PEA SHRUB - Tall shrubs. 10 to 12 feet high, with bright green, compound leaves and many small clusters of yellow flowers in May and June. group Useful for or planting. background Hardiest and best hedge shrub for the Northwest. 12 to 18 inch plants, 50c each; 3 for \$1.25.

NEW RED SPIREA
—A crimson flowered, dwarf variety, makes low compact bush, never getting higher than 24 inches. Is used for low work such as putting in front of larger plants for border. Is covered with



Red Japan Quince

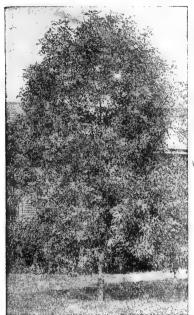
red blossoms, very attractive plant. Heavy 12 to 15 inch plants, 65c each; 3 for \$1.75.

# Zilke's Shade and Ornamental Trees

SILVER MAPLE—A very fast growing tree, round to oval in outline, with finely cut leaves, silvery underneath, which turn in fall to a beautiful, clear yellow coloring often brightened with brilliant red. The Silver Maple is not particular as to soil conditions and will thrive in moist or wet locations. 2 yr. 4 to 5 foot trees,

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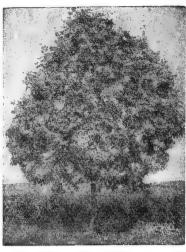
70c each; 3 for \$2.00; 5 to 6 foot trees, \$1.25
each; 2 for \$2.00; Transplanted 10 to 12 ft. trees,
\$3.00 each.



Chinese Elm

CHINESE ELM (Ulmus pumila)—Very rapid grower. Will give ample shade in only 5 or 6 years from planting. Has dense, dark green foliage; is first shade tree to leaf out in the spring, and the last to shed its leaves in the fall. Resists drought and cold, and succeeds in all parts of the United States. Does well in all soils, except on low wet ground. Extra heavy 4 to 5 ft. trees, 85c each; Extra heavy 5 to 6 ft. trees \$1.50 each.

PRUNUS NEWPORT—This lovely small tree is excellent for the lawn. It retains its purplish red color during the summer and has scores of red fruits in the early fall. Very attractive, either singly or in group plantings. Heavy 3 to 4 foot trees, \$2.00 each.



Silver Maple

RED FLOWERING DOGWOOD—A symmetrically spreading tree growing to height of about 20 feet. The large, reddish pink flowers produce a contrast of loveliness against the fresh new green of an early lawn. Its deep green foliage turns to a rich bronzy red in the autumn. Most popular of all the Dogwoods. Transplanted 2 to 3 foot trees, \$2.35 each; 2 for \$4.00; Transplanted 12 to 18 inch, \$1.75 each; 2 for \$3.00.

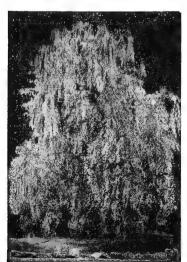
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LOMBARDY POPLAR—No other tree so stately and artistic for accent purposes. Plant in groups of 3 or 5, or in rows 2 to 5 feet apart. Marvelous for backgrounds and windbreaks, and planted along drives. Plant between fields to keep soil from blowing. Trees are branched from the ground up. Keep narrow columnar shape without pruning. Rapid growers on any soil. 2 yr. 2 to 3 ft. trees, 40c each; 5 for \$1.75; 10 for \$3.00; 2 yr. 5 to 6 ft., 70c each; 3 for \$2.00; 10 for \$5.50; Heavy 3 yr. 6 to 8 ft., \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$7.50.

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Sixteen pages of valuable information on planting, pruning and general care of plants, shrubs, trees, etc. Everyone interested in plants should have this book. Included FREE with your order.

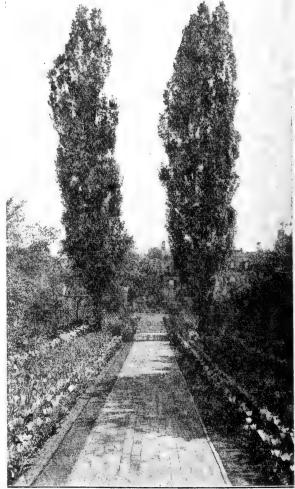
WHITE FLOWERING DOGWOOD—The rare beauty of Dogwood in Spring when it is white with bloom, or in Summer with its dark green foliage changing in the Fall to gorgeous reds, is



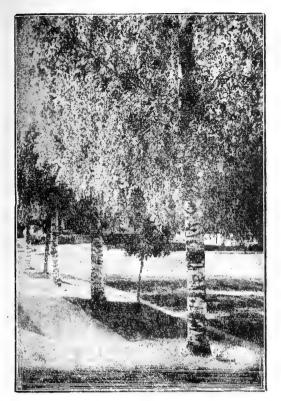
Weeping Willow

and the fall to gorgeous reds, is hard to equal; it is one of the loveliest of trees. The spreading branches grow horizontally and slightly upward from the trunk, conspicious flowers, appearing early in the Spring are 3 to 3½ in. in diameter. A Dogwood makes a beautiful lawn shrub border specimen, and is valuable where its native woods habitat can be copied. 2 to 3 ft., \$1.75 each; 2 for \$3.00; 18 to 24 inch, 85c each; 2 for \$1.50.

WISCONSIN WEEPING WILLOW—Long fine leaves born on sweeping branches that reach to the ground when trees are a few years old. Trees grow to a great height and become very picturesque. Grow rapidly. Heavy 2 yr. 5-6 ft. trees, \$1.15 each; Heavy 3 yr. trees, 6-8 ft., \$1.75 each.



Lombardy Poplar



European White Birch

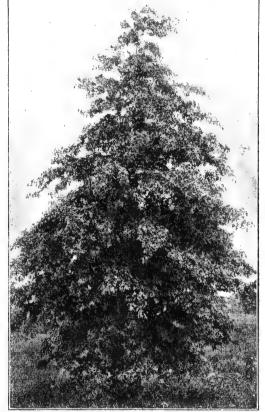
TREE WISTERIA—No more lovely sight can be imagined than a Tree Wisteria in bloom. The purplish blue flowers are produced by the hundreds and completely cover the tree during May, transforming it into a thing of sheer beauty. In formal gardens Tree Wisterias are indispensable. On the lawn they develop into beautiful specimens and live for generations, increasing in beauty and dignity each successive season. Heavy  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to 3 foot trees, \$3.95 each.

PIN OAK—A noble tree, and one of the most valuable of all Oaks for general planting. Develops a handsome, tall, branching pyramid, with slightly drooping effect as it matures. Beautifully carved foliage of deep waxen green assumes gay orange and red colorings in the fall. Extremely long-lived and hardy. 50 to 60 feet at maturity. Transplanted 6 ft. trees, \$3.50 each.

MAY DAY TREE—First tree to leaf out in spring, and first to bloom, providing masses of pure white flowers the first day of May. Blooms followed by small, edible fruits attractive to song birds. Rapid grower. Hardy anywhere. Well branched. 18 to 24 inch trees, \$1.00 each.

**NORWAY MAPLE**—Used on many of our streets, as well liked for its pleasing and familiar symmetrical, dome-shaped head and ability to grow under city conditions. Its dense leaves are rich green in

color, held on the tree longer in the fall than most Maples without much change in color. A good tree for street or lawn specimen planting where good form and shade are needed. Reaches a height of 60 feet. 4 foot trees, \$1.00 each; Transplanted 6 to 8 foot, \$2.25 each.



Pin Oak

ROSE TREE OF CHINA (Prunus Triloba)—The flowers on this small-growing tree are like the Flowering Almond—double, rose-like, and hugging the naked branchlets so closely and so profusely it is impossible to see the branches; and a bright shade of pink. Hardy and seldom grows taller than 8 feet. 2-yr., 2 foot tall, \$1.00 each.

NIOBE WEEPING WILLOW—Handsome weeping tree with golden yellow bark, and narrow green leaves with silver lacing, giving it a pronounced lacy effect. Exceptionally strong, hardy, graceful tree. 30 to 40 feet at maturity. 5 to 6 foot trees,

PURPLE LEAF PLUM (Prunus Cistena)—Shows more red in colored leaves, lower growth and more compact than the common variety; glossier leaves. The dwarf tree comes out red in the spring, stays red all summer, and bronze-red in the fall. Beautiful single, pink flowers in May. 2-yr., 24 inch plants, \$1.00 each.



Norway Maple

BECHTOL'S FLOW-ERING CRAB— Large clusters of exquisite soft pink flowers that resemble Pinocchio roses in bud and flower.

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Handsome,

great profusion of blooms year after year. Heavy 3 to 4 foot trees, \$2.00, each.

EUROPEAN WHITE BIRCH—No tree has more individual and distinctive charm than this tall stately White Birch, with its gleaming white trunk and its delicate pendulous branches. The tree grows to a height of 20 to 30 feet, is thrifty, vigorous and upright. It is one of the few shade trees under which grass will make good growth. Complete your lawn with one of these outstanding trees. 4 to 5 ft., \$1.75 each; 3 for \$4.50.

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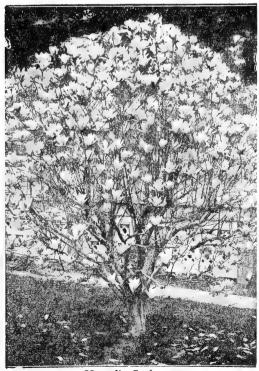
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DOUBLE FLOWERING CHERRY "KWANZAN"—The loveliest of all the flowering trees. Fast growing tree and perfectly hardy. Excellent as an ornamental the year 'round, but of course, its crowning glory comes when it is completely covered with exquisite pearly pink blossoms. For planting along driveways it makes a delightful approach to any home. Plant 15 to 18 feet apart. Nice, well-rooted trees, 2 to 3 ft. high. \$2.25 each.

RED BUD—When you see this magnificent tree in full bloom, a solid mass of cerise-pink flowers, against the blue of a spring sky, you are seeing one of the most lovely sights in all nature. It grows only 10 to 12 feet tall. The glossy heart-shaped leaves turn yellow in the fall. Heavy 2-3 ft. transplanted trees \$1.00 each; Heavy 18 to 24 inch, 75¢ each: 2 for \$1.25.

FLOWERING HOPA CRAB TREE—The finest flowering ornamental, low-growing-tree-beautiful in bloom, beautiful in foliage, beautiful in fruit. In the spring it is simply covered with the fragrant, bright pink flowers. In late summer and fall, the clusters of small fruits turn a bright red. The foliage is a rich maroon in spring. It is perfectly

Hopa Flowering Crab



Magnolia Soulangeana

hardy. easy to grow, growing even on poorest soil with scarcely any care or attention. 4 to 5 ft. trees, \$1.50 each; 5 to 6 foot trees, \$2.00 each.



rlowering Cherry

MAGNOLIA, SOULANGEANA-This is the most popular hardy Magnolia. One of the first trees to bloom, the delightfully fragrant flowers appear before the leaves. They are pink in the bud and white when fully open. The blossoms are large, often 8 inches across. The foliage itself is attractive, a rich, waxy green. The tree seldom grows more than 10 feet tall and starts blooming before it is 3 feet tall. Most of the young trees we send out have bloom buds on them. It is a strikingly beautiful, low growing, flowering tree for the lawn. 12 to 15 inch plants, \$1.75 each.

MAGNOLIA NIGRA—Growth of the Magnolia Nigra is about the same as that of Magnolia Soulangeana, only the flowers are a rich purple red shade outside, while the inside is a delicate waxy white. Flowers are slightly larger. 12 to 15 inch plants \$1.85 each.

MOUNTAIN ASH—Dazzling orange berries, the most beautiful lawn specimen tree! You'll want two in the front yard to balance your planting. Large clusters of orange berries remain throughout winter brightening the landscape. Graceful branches of fancy leaves thickly clothe mature specimens. Grows about 40 feet in height at maturity. Shapely oval head. Heavy rooted transplanted trees, 3 to 4 foot, \$1.25 each; Heavy rooted transplants 4 to 5 foot, \$1.50 each.

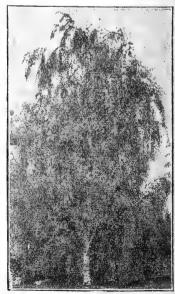
CUT-LEAF WEEPING BIRCH-No other tree occupies quite the place

in the hearts of home builders that this graceful tree does. Its white bark, pendulous branches, delicate green foliage, deeply cut leaves, endear it to all who want a tree both for shade and ornament. A beautiful effect is created by planting three of them as a triangle, about 20 feet apart. 4 to 5 foot trees, \$2.50 each; 6 to 7 foot trees, \$4.00 each.

NEW REDVEIN CRAB-Extra large red flowers. A large growing Russian Turkestan variety. Has remarkable large red flowers in April followed by large purplish-red fruit and leaves. 4 to 5 foot trees, \$1.75 each; 5 to 6 foot trees, \$2.25 each.

#### PAUL'S DOUBLE SCARLET THORN-

(Crataegus oxyantha pauli) This is one of the most attractive small trees for either single specimens or group planting. A hardy tree with rich, luxuriant foliage. Flowers, a deep crimson-scarlet, and very double, occur in great profusion, followed by showy red berries. As spectacular in fruit as when in bloom. Strong 4 to 5 foot trees each, \$2.50.



Cut-Leaf Weeping Birch

# ZILKE'S SELECT FRIENDLY EVERGREENS



Irish Juniper

IRISH JUNIPER—The slender beauty. Erect and slender, formal and columnar in form. Very compact, deep green foliage. Reaches a height of 6 to 7 feet at maturity, but never over 1½ feet in diameter. Most striking spire-like shape of all the evergreens. 6 to 8 inch transplants, 60c each; 3 for \$1.50; 10 for \$4.50; Heavy 12 to 15 inch transplants, \$1.15 each; 2 for \$2.00; Heavy 2½ to 3 ft. trees, \$2.75 each; 2 for \$5.00.

**SAVIN JUNIPER**—The foundation Evergreen. The favorite trailer—beautiful, dependable, and hardy everywhere. Dark green, tufted foliage covers dense, spreading branches, producing an ideal plant for the foreground, giving the finest sort of finish to foundation groups, parks or formal beds. Endures smoky conditions of the city, at home everywhere. Seldom over 3 feet high at maturity. 6 to 8 inch transplants, 60c each; 3 for \$1.50; Extra heavy 24 to 30 inch spread, \$3.25 each; 2 for \$6.00.

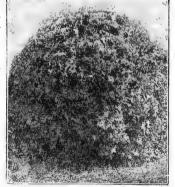
**SPINY GREEK JUNIPER**—The tree with many points. This beautiful variety forms a tall, beautiful tree; broad base, gradually tapering to a tall, dense conical head. Color is a fine glaucous blue. 6 to 8 inch transplants, 60c each; 3 for \$1.50; Heavy 18 to 24 inch, \$2.50 each.

ANDORA JUNIPER—Low growing, spreading dwarf evergreen. Beautiful silvery green in spring, turning to rich purple bronze in autumn. 9 to 12 inch transplants, 75c each; 2 for \$1.40.

SCOTCH PINE—The Lawn Candle Tree. Foliage light green with bluish cast, reddish brown branches form a

rounded head, will thrive in almost all soils. Very hardy. 8 to 10 inch transplants, 60c each; 3 for \$1.50.

WOODWARD GLOBE ARBORVITAE — The Perfect Ball Evergreen. This fine globe Arborvitae is becoming one of the most popular varieties due to the fact that it keeps the globe habit without trimming and does well under all conditions. Seldom grows higher than 3 ft. Dense foliage of deep sea-green. 5 to 7 inch transplants, 60¢ each; 3 for \$1.50.



Woodward Globe Arborvitae

#### JAPANESE YEWS

The Very Best Evergreens For Shady Places

Without doubt the Yews are among the finest and most luxuriant evergreens grown. They are extremely hardy, easy to grow, do well in shade, and harmonize with any other plant.

cuspidata—Spreading variety. Habit of growth similar to Pfitzer Juniper. Foliage is a shade of dark green different from other evergreens. May be sheared for a low hedge, allowed to throw out its graceful wands for informal corner plantings, or kept trimmed back into compact shape. Numerous red berries form and hang close to the branches all winter. 6 to 8 inch transplants, 60¢ each; 3 for \$1.50; 10 for \$4.50; Heavy 12 to 15 inch transplants, \$1.50 each.

HICKSI—Dwarf, closely columnar form. Foliage the darkest green of the family, and very dense from the ground up. Valuable for accent pieces. Any of the Yews may be sheared either for hedge or for specimens. 6 to 8 inch transplants, 60c each; 3 for \$1.50; Heavy 15 to 18 inch transplants \$1.50; 3 for \$4.00.

NORWAY SPRUCE—The Perfect Christmas Tree A lofty, noble tree of open, pyramidal habit, exceedingly picturesque. Very popular and effective in evergreen groups, and one of the best evergreens. It is the kind most often used for Christmas trees both when cut and mounted for inside use or planted strategically outside to display the cheery strings of colored lights. 6 to 8 inch transplants, 60¢ each; 3 for \$1.50; 10 for \$4.00.



Norway Spruce

MUGHO PINE—The Dwarf Candle Tree. Valuable for all group plantings. Dwarf in habit, forming a low dome-shaped mound. Color a dark green except in early spring when the tender new growth of light green gives it a two-color effect. 5 to 7 inch transplants, 60c each; 3 for \$1.50.

#### PLEASE NOTE

All of our Evergreens are carefully dug to get all the tender roots. The soil is then removed and the roots are then wrapped in moss and paper or burlap. This method of packing eliminates 25 to 50 pounds of soil, saves the vital fine roots, insures better growth and makes possible low cost parcel post or express shipment.

colorado blue spruce—The Lawn Beauty. Most popular and showy of all Spruces. Silvery foliage. Hardy, good grower, withstands severe winters and excessive moisture. When dormant the tree acquires a somewhat greenish cast, but as soon as the new growth makes its appearance, the full beauty of this glorious tree can be appreciated to the utmost. 6 to 8 inch transplants, 65¢ each; 3 for \$1.65.

**PFITZER JUNIPER**—Popular Foundation Evergreen. A graceful low growing spreading evergreen with sweeping fronds of fresh green foliage. Very hardy, will do well in shady locations. Heavy 8 to 12 inch transplants, 85¢ each; 2 for \$1.50; 6 to 9 inch transplants, 65c each; 3 for \$1.80; 10 for \$5.50.

**PYRAMIDAL ARBORVITAE**—The Landscapeer's Delight. Grows compact and develops naturally into a perfect pyramidal form. Foliage deep green, retaining its color throughout the season. Fine for foundation, group or garden planting. 6 to 8 inch transplants, 60c each; 3 for \$1.50; heavy  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to 3 ft., \$3.50 each, 2 for \$6.50.



Pfitzer Juniper

# THE BETTER CLIMBING VINES

#### SILVER LACE VINE



In a short few years this has come to be America's No. 1 vine for covering pergolas, archways, arbors, lattice fences, etc. It is graceful, hardy and easy to grow. Will grow 25 feet or more in a season and a fully developed specimen is a cloud of misty white, with tints of yellow and pale rose, suggesting old lace. Gives a most exquisite effect and is one of the most satisfactory vines. 2 yr. vines, 65¢ each; 3 for \$1.75.

CLEMATIS, EDQUARD ANDRE (The New Red Clematis)—Rare, new, large flowering variety of Clematis—the same type as Jackmani except rich red flowers. Flowers often 4 to 6 inches across. Blooms over a long period and extremely beautiful. plant one with your purple Clematis. Strong Plants, 90¢ each; 3 for \$2.50.

CLEMATIS, JACKMANI (The Large Purple)-Immense, velvety purple flowers in late spring cover this vine entirely. The most sure blooming of all vines, and blooms are extremely large. Grows rapidly, and blooms right away. Strong Plants, 90¢ each; 3 for \$2.50.

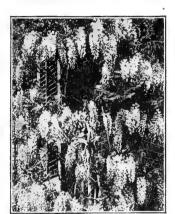
CLEMATIS, RAMONA (New Lavender-Blue) - Large flowers of lavender-blue throughout the summer and autumn. Flowers are well dispersed on the plants, which reach a height of 10 feet. Strong Plants, 90¢ each; 3 for \$2.50.

**CLEMATIS, HENRYI** (Best Large White)—Large creamy white flowers. A strong grower and very hardy. One of the best of the white varieties. A continuous bloomer. Strong Plants, 90¢ each; 3 for \$2.50.

BITTERSWEET VINE.—The true red berry Bittersweet which is so beautiful in the fall. Foliage is a very attractive glossy green and covered with fiery, orange-red Plant two of these together for pollination if possible. Extra Heavy 3 year berries. plants, \$1.00 each.



Trumpet Vine



Purple Wisteria

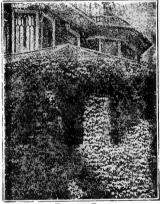
TRUMPET VINE—Graceful orange-red trumpet-flowers measure 4 inches long. Bloom all summer. Ornamental seed pods. Fancy-cut green leaves in abundance. Hardy. Heavy 2 year plants, 55¢ each; 3 for \$1.50.

> GOLD FLAME HONEYSUCKLE—Immense showy clusters of trumpet-shaped buds and fragrant blooms. Outside petals brilliant flame-pink, while the inside is a creamy golden yellow. Dark glossy foliage. Blooms freely from early spring until cut down by heavy frost. 2 yr. plants, 65¢ each; 3 for \$1.75.

> DEEP BLUE WISTERIA-Strong growing vine loaded with deep blue flowers. Extra long clusters, sometimes two feet long, very valuable. 2 year plants, 70¢ each; 3

> **PURPLE WISTERIA**—Tall vigorous climber, with long lilac purple flowers, during June and July. 65¢ each; 3 for \$1.80.

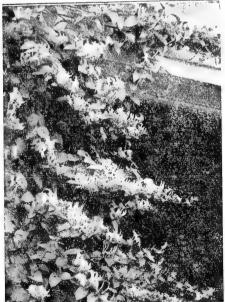
WHITE WISTERIA—This variety produces long, showy white flowers in May. 70¢ each; 3 for \$1.90.



BOSTON IVY-This is the vine that imparts romance and beauty to clapboard cottage and stone mansion alike. It clings closely to any wall, wood, brick or stone, without support. The foliage colors beautifully in the fall. brick or stone, without support. The foliage colors beautifully in the fall. Prefers a north or east side. This is the clinging vine usually seen on buildings. 2 yr. plants, 65¢ each; 3 for \$1.75.

KUDZU VINE-Hardy. Large foliage and dense shade. Runs 30 to 40 feet in one season. Blooms in August. Rosy purple, pea-shaped flowers, in small racemes. 2-yr. vines, 50¢ each; 3 for \$1.35.

EVERGREEN BITTERSWEET (Euonymus Vegetus)—A beautiful thick leaved evergreen shrub or vine. Will grow in either shady or sunny location. If planted near a wall, they make a low vine, and if planted in the open, they grow into a low spreading evergreen shrub. They bear bright orange-red berries in the autumn like the wild Bittersweet, the berries remaining on the plant the greater part of the winter. The plants also hold their beautiful green leaves all winter. 2 yr. vines, \$1.50 each; 2 for \$2.50.



Golden Flame Honeysuckle

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Most nursery stock is very scarce this year. Please do not wait until planting time to order. Stock will be reserved as long as the supply lasts, and shipped to you at the proper spring planting time. Please order now, as soon as you receive this catalog. You will be saving 10%, and be sure of getting what you want. See pages 46 and 48.

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# ZILKE'S NORTHERN GROWN HARDY HEDGE PLANTS



100 Beautiful Amoor River Privet Plants Only \$8.45

#### ROSA MULTIFLORA HEDGING

LOW-COST, LIVING FARM FENCE

Much has been said about the Rosa Multiflora in the leading farm magazines, its low cost and high value when used as a stock fence or for windbreaks. It is very hardy. Has white blooms in the early spring. The attractive plants grow 6 to 8 feet tall and about 5 to 7 feet wide, does not require clipping or trimming, when used for lawn or hedge can be pruned to any desired height. Grows dense enough to keep all types of animals in their place. Plant this hedging material this spring at our low price. It will take about 3 years before it will turn stock. Plant about 12 inches apart for best results. 2 yr. Transplants, 12 to 18 inch, 25 for \$2.00; 50 for \$3.75; 100 for \$6.50; 500 for \$30.00; 2 yr. 18 to 24 inch, 25 for \$3.00; 50 for \$5.50; 100 for \$9.50; 250 for \$20.00.

AMOOR RIVER PRIVET—Most popular, low cost hardy hedging for the North. Produces an abundance of dark green, glossy leaves on upright branches. Free from insects and diseases! White flowers in clusters, and berries. Set plants 10 to 12 inches apart. Can be clipped any time during summer and kept desired height and shape. Also used unclipped for foundation plantings

around tall buildings, and for screens along alleys. 2 yr. well branched, well rooted, 12 to 15 inch plants, 10 for \$1.65; 25 for \$2.50; 50 for \$4.25; 100 for \$7.75; Heavy 15 to 20 inch plants, 10 for \$2.15; 25 for \$3.50; 50 for \$6.50; 100 for \$11.50.

#### THE RUST PROOF VARIETY

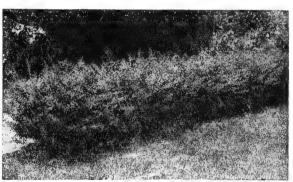
RED BARBERRY—Similar to Green Barberry in all respects except color—is a brilliant red. In early spring, assumes a deep, bronzy red color, which it retains until fall, when it changes to a vivid orange, scarlet and red shades, far more brilliant than the ordinary Japanese Barberry. Heavy 2 yr. transplants with good roots and well branched tops, 12 to 15 inch 35c each; 5 for \$1.65; 10 for \$3.00; 25 for \$6.50; 15 to 20 inch plants, 49c each; 5 for \$2.25; 10 for \$4.25; 25 for \$8.00.

RUSSIAN MULBERRY—Hardy in all states—never winter kills. Superior to other kinds, as it makes a dense hedge from the ground up. Unlike most other hedging varieties as to growth and shape of leaves; very attractive foliage, making an outstanding and beautiful hedge, altogether different than old common varieties. Cannot be surpassed for tall hedges to hide unsightly views, or can be pruned to any height desired. Be the first in your locality to get started with this outstanding hedge. 18 to 24 inch plants, 6 for 90¢; 12 for \$1.45; 25 for \$2.45; 50 for \$4.00; 100 for \$7.45; 200 for \$12.95.

GREEN BARBERRY—A very popular low growing hedge. Untrimmed it makes a dense, rounded hedge 2 to 3 feet tall and almost as wide, but it can be trimmed to any desired height and width. The foliage is bright green, turning a beautiful orange-scarlet in the fall and the bright red berries gleam along the branches all winter. Grows in sun or partial shade. Rust-free type, 12 to 15 inch, strong well branched, heavy rooted, 3 for 75c; 6 for \$1.35; 12 for \$2.35; 15 to 20 inch, 45c each; 3 for \$1.20; 10 for \$3.50.

SPIRAEA VAN HOUTTI (Bridal Wreath)—This shrub has done more to beautify the homes of America than any other. It is by far the most popular and widely planted, it makes good everywhere. Can be used for foundation planting, as a single speciman, for screens, hedge—in fact any place you want a medium tall shrub. It grows in sun or partial shade. 2 years heavy rooted, well branched, 18 to 24 inch plants, 23c each; 10 for \$1.85; 25 for \$4.25; 100 for \$14.00; Heavy 2 to 3 ft. plants, 35c each; 10 for \$2.85; 25 for \$5.75; 50 for \$9.50; 100 for \$18.00.

CHINESE ELM—It can be kept trimmed to a medium height or grown as a taller screen. The more you trim it, the more dense and compact it gets. Grows so rapidly that it will make a hedge in just a few months. Perfectly hardy and planted in every state, sturdy, beautiful, fast-growing and priced very low. As it becomes known, it will be planted for hedging by the millions. The plants we offer are well branched, especially selected for hedge planting. 18 to 30 inch, 12 for \$1.00; 25 for \$1.75; 50 for \$3.15; 100 for \$5.45.



Barberry Hedge

LOMBARDY POPLAR—A unique and beautiful living green wall. Set Lombardy Poplars 1 foot apart and cut the tops off straight like a hedge. Makes a solid wall through which no animal can crawl. Hardy, healthy, thrives on poor soil. Branches from ground up. Transplanted trees, 2 to 3 ft., 40c each; 5 for \$1.75; 10 for \$3.00; 2 yr. 5 to 6 ft., 70c each; 3 for \$2.00; 10 for \$5.50; Heavy 3 yr. 6 to 8 ft., \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$7.50.

## DWARF BLUE-LEAF ARCTIC HEDGING

(Salix Purpurea)

IDEAL LOW BORDER OR EDGE

Charming, low growing plant that is hardy everywhere, and is fine for edging. Very dwarf and bushy, with thick, fine foliage of lovely gray-bluegreen. Just the plant for low edgings around beds or along walks, or in the formal garden. Plant 8 inches apart, and can be clipped formally or left natural. Single specimens are delightful in the rock garden. Discovered north of the Arctic Circle, it is supremely hardy and will thrive in almost any soil. Strong 12 to 15 inch plants, 30c each; 10 for \$2.45; 25 for \$4.50; 50 for \$8.95.



Lombardy Hedge

# ZILKE'S HARDY FIELD GROWN PERENNIALS

There is a world of difference in perennial plants. Our perennials are big. transplanted, hardy plants that were grown in the fields in wide rows, with plenty of room for both tops and roots. Such plants naturally cost a great deal more to grow, but THEY ARE WORTH MUCH MORE. They live longer, grow better and bloom more freely.

#### DELPHINIUM

Delphiniums bloom in early summer and fall, producing great abundance of graceful spikes that are ideal for cutting purposes. Blooms come in lovely, rich colors on strong stems. Our healthy field grown plants will bloom this year. Your choice of RICH DARK BLUE or LIGHT SKY BLUE. 35c each; 3 for 90c Postpaid.

#### BLEEDING HEART

A favorite in grandmother's garden a half century ago, it is equally popular today. Grows about 2 feet tall, in partial shade or in full sun. Attractive light green transparent foliage. Graceful heart-shaped red and white flowers on arching branches. 2 year clump plants, 80c each; 2 for \$1.50, Postpaid.

#### LILY OF THE VALLEY

One of the most beloved of all old-fashioned plants. Large ornamental, waxy green leaves, dainty stems bearing beautiful, tiny, bell-shaped florets. Richly scented. Excellent for beds in shady locations. 8 for \$1.15 Postpaid.

#### TRITOMA

(Red Hot Poker)—One of the flashiest and most showy of all the garden plants. Large, elongated cones of brilliant or-



Lily of

ange-red flowers borne on strong canes 2 to 3 feet high. Will do well on any soil and will bloom abundantly year after year. Get a few of these and enjoy their brilliant coloring. 2 yr. heavy, 40c each; 3 for \$1.00, Postpaid.

#### **GYPSOPHILA**, Paniculata

(Baby's Breath)—Completely covered with small white flowers in July-August. In the garden and in bouquets, it gives an airy effect no other flower can give. Grows 2 to 3 feet tall. 40c each; 3 for \$1.00, Postpaid.

#### HIBISCUS

Truly the "show-boy" of the perennials. Shoots start each year from the ground and grow to a height of 4 to 6 feet. They then bear great numbers of giant bell-shaped blooms measuring six inches or more across. Rich

in color and hardy as an oak. Wonderful for background subjects or for an informal high summer hedge. We offer you the following colors, Pink, Red, and White. 2 yr. roots, only 35c each; 5 for \$1.45, Postpaid.

#### ZILKE'S HARDY CARNATIONS

Grow this favorite, fragrant, delicately beautiful flower in your garden. These hardy Carnations grow in the garden like any other out door perennial. They bloom freely in early summer and continue with some flowers later. Single flowers on long stems are ideal for cutting. Here are five of the best kinds in a wide color selection.

Crimson Beauty—red, Snow White—pure white, Triumph—rose pink, King of Blacks—darkest red, Golden Sun—clear yellow. All 5 for only \$1.25.

Strong field grown plants, 35c each.

#### DOUBLE HOLLYHOCKS

New double strain of an old garden favorite. Double Hollyhocks are one of the best background plants for your hardy border, in a corner against a wall, or as a mass of color that towers above all other garden subjects, as they will grow to 5 feet tall. These new larger double blooms and new hardiness make this a "must" in your garden. We offer you the following colors, Yellow, White, Pink, Red. Field grown blooming age plants, 35c each; 5 for \$1.50.

#### SILVER KING

Lovely for foliage, a striking. silver leaved, contrast plant. A beautiful "mist" for setting off bouquets and floral combinations. A vigorous quick-growing plant with a close network of branches, fine stemmed and slender leaved. A necessity for flower arrangement. May be cut in the fall and dried for use in winter bounder. quets. Nice 2-year plants. 40c each, 3 for \$1.00 Postpaid.

#### **AQUILEGIA-Columbine**

Mrs. Scott Elliott's Famous Hardy, Long-Spurred Hybrids. One of the favorite plants with all lovers of beautiful perennials. Columbine seems to have an appeal all its own because of the lovely pastel shadings of color and the artful delicacy of its bloom form. Mrs. Scott Elliott's hybrids are as fine as can be grown. They have marvelous color range and are noted for long spurs on each bloom. Being hybrids we cannot ship by color, but the mixture is well balanced and satisfactory. 2-year, field-grown, 40c each; 3 for \$1.00.

#### DWARF HARDY CANDYTUFT

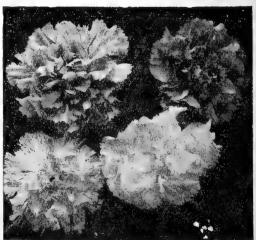
Excellent for Flowering Edgings-Almost Evergreen. One of the loveliest of the semi-dwarf plants. Foliage is almost evergreen, remaining green until almost New Years. Each spring the plant is covered so densely with white, snowflake-shaped blooms, that it really resembles a small mound of snow. Very hardy, easily grown and requires only average garden soil. Reaches only about 12 inches in height, which makes it invaluable for the foreground in perennial beds or for low borders. each; 3 for \$1.00 Postpaid.

#### CANTERBURY BELLS

(Campanula medium). Plants are somewhat pyramidal in growth, attaining a height of from 2 to 21/2 feet. Profusely covered with large, bell-shaped flowers in May to July. Colors ranging from white, pink, and rose, through various shades of blue, and purple. No color can be guaranteed, as we supply these in mixed colors Blooming-age, field-grown plants, 40c each; 3 for \$1.00, Postpaid.

#### BEGONIAS

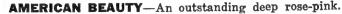
(Tuberous-rooted, Double Camelia—Flowering type). No flower grown can equal these for sheer exquisite beauty. They are widely used for pot plants for winter blooming and also for summer beds outdoors. These come in red, orange, white, pink, and yellow. Grow 8 to 12 inches tall. When grown outside, take up before cold weather. 3 for \$1.00; 10 for \$2.50, Postpaid. State colors wanted.



Hardy Carnation

# ZILKE'S NEW OUTSTANDING HARDY PHLOX

Phlox produce magnificent spikes of showy, lasting and fragrant flowers, year after year with comparatively little care. They are the main standby for harmonious garden color through the difficult month of August. Every Phlox we offer is field grown and is heavily rooted. A bed of Phlox once planted will last a life time, without special care. Extra heavy plants which will bloom this summer, 35c each; 5 for \$1.50; 10 for \$2.50, Postpaid.



BLUE BOY-While there is no true blue in Phlox, this variety is the closest to such a color.

EUROPE—White with red eye. Strong grower.

FLASH-New large, rosy-red, one of the best.

LILLIAN—Delicate soft-cameo-pink.

FRAU ANTON BUCHNER—Pure white.

MARY LOUISE-The finest pure white. Florets are the size of a silver dollar in truly giant clusters on 24 inch plants.

PINKETTE—Just a tinge of pink keeps it from being white.

ROSY BLUE-Shade of rose and blue intermingled in magical fashion.

RHEINLANDER-A deep salmon that has been dependable for many vears.

RUBY LEE-A mammoth flowered reddish-purple.

SPITFIRE—Brilliant orange-scarlet. Very striking.

SALMON GLOW-A lively pink with salmon shadings.

STARLIGHT-Violet with clear white star center.

BORDER GEM-A choice purple. An outstanding color.

CHIEFTAIN-Intense dark red. Deepest of all. Very good.

BRIGHT EYES—Soft rosy-pink with a deep red eye.

CAROLINE VANDENBERG-Most attractive of the lavender shades, it is a true lavender blue without any magenta shades.

> **FREE Cultural Instructions Included With Every Order**

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#### PHLOX SPECIAL

One plant of each variety, of the 18 different Phlox that we have listed, each plant will be correctly labeled and carefully packed.

Remember this collection represents the best in new Phlox. All big blooming size plants.

Special Postpaid Price ......\$4.00

#### **MOLE KILLER**

KILLS THE MOLE Money Back Guarantee



KILLER

No traps, no gas, no harm to domestic animals or birds. Force's Mole Killer Pellets are compounded from the mole's natural food. True mole food scent attracts and will positively destroy large numbers of moles. Kill the breeding stock now before they multiply. Full directions enclosed in each package. BIG 185 PELLET PACKAGE, \$1.15 POSTPAID

## **CUSHION MUMS CHRYSANTHEMUMS**

These make a rounded, compact bush that from August to Thanksgiving is a mass of exquisite flowers—hundreds of flowers. Hardy; easy to grow. We offer the following 5 best varieties. All strong plants, 30c each; 5 for \$1.35, shipped by prepaid parcel post May 1st.

CUSHION BRONZE—As the flowers first open, they are warm, rich red bronze, then turning to a bronzy yellow with a light red center. Later lighten to a beautiful golden bronze shade.

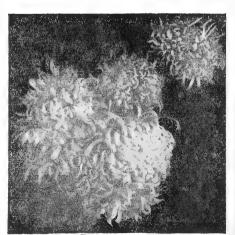
CUSHION PINK—Flowers open to a deep, orchid-pink, then change to a light orchid with a creamy center, finally salmon-pink with a soft yellow center.

CUSHION RED SUPER DELUX-Plant is perfectly formed and makes a mound 18 in. high with a diameter of 3 feet in its very first year. Bright shade of red. Mid-September.

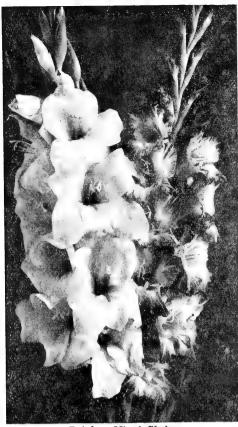
CUSHION WHITE—Lovely snow-white flowers with a faint yellow center. CUSHION YELLOW—Pure golden yellow, very brilliant. Develops into large dense clumps, often measuring 24 to 30 inches across. Early October.

#### **5 HARDY CUSHION MUMS**

One of each of the 5 above varieties, plainly labeled and wrapped. SPECIAL PRICE \$1.15 POSTPAID



# PLANT ZILKE'S GLADS FOR BEST RESULTS



Rainbow Mixed Glads

ABU HASSAN—This new variety comes from Holland, Europe. The color is a very rich deep violet blue. In fact is about the finest of the dark blues. Good commercial flower. 15c each; 5 for 60c; 12 for \$1.00 Postpaid.

BEACON—Very large red, tall and straight, cream throat. Wonderful cut flower. 3 for 25c; 6 for 40c; 12 for 70c Postpaid.

BETTY NUTHALL—Glowing orange-pink, with a light yellow throat. Light markings or veins on lower throat petals of carmine red. Large florets. 3 for 25c; 6 for 40c; 12 for 70c Postpaid.

BURMA—Popular show variety. Heavily ruffled deep rose red. Wide open florets of the largest size, heavy foliage. A variety you will prize in your garden. 15c each; 5 for 60c; 12 for \$1.00 Postpaid.

CORONA.—Creamy white shading somewhat deeper in the throat, with rose picotes edge on the petals. Very distinctive and beautiful. Outstanding prize winning exhibition flower. Mid-season. 20c each; 3 for 35c; 6 for 60c; 12 for \$1.00 Postpaid.

BLACK OPAL-Makes an impressive spike with up to 8 blooms open. The standard darkest red. 15c each; 3 for 35c; 6 for 60c; 12 for \$1.00 Postpaid.

ELIZABETH THE QUEEN—Most beautiful, Huge wide open ruffled flowers of a gorgeous lavender color, blushed pink. Vigorous grower that responds under most any weather. Wonderful exhibition variety. 15c each; 5 for 60c; 12 for \$1.25 Postpaid.

GOLDEN DREAM—Has always been tops in yellow and again received the highest number of votes of any yellow. A rich, deep, golden yellow. 3 for 25c; 6 for 45c; 12 for 80c Postpaid.

KING WILLIAM—Glowing apricot blending beautifully into a clear unmarked cream throat. Tall healthy, vigorous grower, great commercial variety. 20c each; 5 for 60c; 12 for \$1.25 Postpaid.

MINUET—Late mid-season variety of unusual beauty. One of the finest lavenders yet produced in commerce today. Large flowers on a tall spike. Good placement. Still the finest lavender exhibited at the leading flower shows. A consistent winner. 3 for 25c; 6 for 45c; 12 for 80c Postpaid.

MYRNA—This dainty ruffled ivory-white has won scores of ribbons at shows throughout the country. A good grower. 15c each; 3 for 35c; 6 for 60c; 12 for \$1.00 Postpaid.

NEW EUROPE—A new variety from Holland, Europe. Excellent texture tall grower, enormous florets of brilliant orange red, one of the best newer varieties. 15c each; 5 for 50c; 12 for 75c Postpaid.

PEGGY LOU-Immense flowers of a deep pink color, one of the better ones. 10c each; 5 for 35c; 12 for 75c Postpaid.

REWI FALLU—Better known as blood red. Massive deep red flowers. If you are looking for a dark red that grows large we suggest this special variety. 15c each; 5 for 60c; 12 for \$1.00 Postpaid.

BLUE BEAUTY—Much lighter blue than most varieties, vigorous grower, excellent cut flower, commercial variety. 15c each; 5 for 60c; 12 for \$1.00 Postpaid.

PURPLE SUPREME—Fine outstanding purple color that may be used for the show or commercial. Opens 8 or 9 very large flerets on a good tall spike. 15c each; 5 for 60c; 12 for \$1.00 Postpaid.

ETHEL CAVE COLE—A very large pink exhibition variety. From 10 to 12 florets open on a fine spike. Beautiful color, excellent commercial variety. 15c each; 5 for 60c; 12 for \$1.00 Postnaid

GOLD DUST—Deep early yellow. Grows tall, has good commercial possibilities. 10c each; 5 for 35c; 12 for 75c Postpaid.

**LEADING LADY**—Its exquisite tall spikes, 8 large blooms open color of beautiful silvery creamy white. Has won many awards. 15 each; 5 for 60c; 12 for \$1.00 Postpaid.

**SNOW PRINCESS**—A very fine new white of good size and form. Tall, with long flower spike and many open blooms that are always perfectly placed. Snow Princess is one of the very best whites. Mid-season 10c each; 3 for 25c; 6 for 50c; 12 for 75c Postpaid.

MAID OF ORLEANS—A pure white, and one of the best white varieties. 10c each; 3 for 25c; 6 for 50c; 12 for 75c Postpaid.

LAVENDER RUFFLES—Exquisite combination of color hard to beat, a clear lavender blushed with shrimp pink. Very fine for decorations or table arrangements. 3 for 25c; 6 for 45c; 12 for 80c Postpaid.

MARGARET BEATON—Finest pure white background with a bright oranged blotch. This variety is one of the finest ntw introductions. Strong grower. A consistent show winner. 3 for 30c; 6 for 45c; 12 for 75c Postpaid.

#### **SWEET-SCENTED GLADIOLUS**

THE NEW SWEET-SCENTED GLAD

SWEET-SCENTED GLAD—The flowers are snow white, centers are clearly marked with brilliant purple-black color. The fragrance is delightfully fresh yet insistent, a few flowers in a vase will make themselves pleasantly known throughout the entire room. Flower stalks are about 2½ feet tall. These sweetscented glad bulbs are some-what higher crowned and more pointed and not quite as large as ordinary glad bulbs. The culture for the sweet-scented glad is the same as ordinary glads, however in mild climates the bulbs may remain in the ground where they will soon form large-sized clumbs. 25c each; 5 for \$1.00; 12 for \$2.00 Postpaid.

#### RAINBOW MIXTURE GLADS

This mixture is made up from the varieties that we list and many others. Guaranteed to please you.

Large blooming size bulbs, 25 for \$1.00, 50 for \$1.65; 100 for only \$2.75; 500 for \$13.00; 1000 for \$24.50, Postpaid.

MOROCCO—Glistening deep purple, almost black. 3 for 25c; 6 for 45c; 12 for 80c Postpaid.

MARGARET FULTON—Early deep salmon pink. Most dependable and healthies of all varieties. Excellent cut flower 10c each; 3 for 25c; 6 for 45c; 12 for 75c Postpaid.

PEARI. HARBOR—Purest white variety with good spike and foliage. As many as 10 to 12 florets open at a time and color showing on balance of spike. Destined to be the best in the white class of Gladiolus as a commercial flower. Worthwhile trying in your garden. 15c each; 3 for 35c; 6 for 60c; 12 for \$1.00 Postpaid.

PELEGRINA—You will be more than pleased with this lovely flower. A real first class glad in its color. In fact the best dark blue in existence today. 3 for 30c; 6 for 50c; 12 for 85c Postpaid.

PICARDY—A clear pure pink beautifully tinted with red in the throat. Flowers large, 5 to 5½ in. across. One of the most popular varieties. 3 for 25c; 6 for 45c; 12 for 80c Postpaid.

ROSA VAN LIMA—Extremely tall growing, color of a beautiful light pink. We can highly recommend as being one of the finest to grow. 3 for 25c; 6 for 45c; 12 for 80c Postpaid.

RED CHARM—A fine medium dark red with a deeper throat. A fine all around glad for show and cutflower use. Very consistent and tops in its color. 20c each; 3 for 45c; 6 for 80c; 12 for \$1.25 Postpaid.

SILVER WINGS—A glistening pure white sport of Picardy, with florets that measure up to 6 inches across, colorful buds showing on balance of spike. One that is certain to be popular A very strong and healthy grower. 15c each; 3 for 35c; 6 for 60c; 12 for \$1.00 Postpaid.

STOPLIGHT—A magnificent new red. Brilliant, clear crimson flowers; deeply ruffled. Its tall, dazzling spikes arrest attention. 15c each; 3 for 35c; 6 for 60c; 12 for \$1.00 Postpaid.

SHIRLEY TEMPLE—Intensely ruffled flowers, massive cream with creamy yellow throat. This is one of the fine show varieties, that has been recenlty introduced.

3 for 25c; 6 for 45c; 12 for 30c Postpaid.

# THE WORLD'S FINEST IRIS

All orders will be filled with large, strong, healthy, flowering size plants and all plants are guaranteed. All Iris roots will be shipped by Prepaid Parcel Post, after July 15th.

ALINE-A fragrant gorgeous rich sky blue. 40c each; 3 for 85c.

ALTA CALIFORNIA—48 in. The tallest and one of the largest and finest new yellow Irises, making a magnificient effect in mass. Exceptionally free flowering. Clear deep yellow, with falls faintly bronzed, which adds greatly to its attractiveness. Perfect form and texture. 30c each; 3 for 65c.

BLACK WINGS—Near black, and one of the best of its color. Looks absolutely black in some lights, the color actually being Violet, with a black lustrous overlay and a richness that is unsurpassed. 40c each; 3 for 85c.

BRUNO—36 in. Late flowering. It is without doubt one of the finest Iris in the world. The flowers are large, perfectly formed, of heavy substance and with dark brown-blue velvety texture of a piece of fine plush. 30c each; 3 for 65c.

CLARA NOYES—36 in. Early. This is one of the most outstanding of the newer Irises, and is now offered at a very modest price for such a beautiful flower. It is a rich blend of "Talisman Rose' color. No garden should be without this charming Iris, now that it can be had at such a low price. 30c each; 3 for 65c.

CHEERIO—The best red toned bi-color, the falls being vivid, glowing, satiny ruby red, while the standards are of soft rose flushed yellow. A perfect flower and profuse bloomer. Height 40 in. 40c each; 3 for 85c.

**DOLLY MADISON**—36 in. Early. Very large flowers of fine form and heavy substance in a most intriguing blend of soft pastel colors, with a brilliant orange beard in striking contrast. 30c each.

DEPUTE NOMBLOT-48 in. Has been called the finest Iris in the world. Of gigantic size and perfect form and texture on tall, nicely branched stems. Standards, coppery-red, flushed golden bronze; falls, rich claret crimson. The entire flower seems to be dusted with fine golden powder, giving it an unusual richness. 30c each; 3 for 65c.

EUPHONY—36 in. One of the best of the copper blends. Upper petals beautifully ruffled pure copper; lower petals soft copper, veined deep copper and flushed soft violet. 50c each.

EVELYN BENSON—39 in. A gorgeous Iris of perfect form in a uniform carmine self color. Nicely branched and extremely free flowering. 25c each; 3 for 55c.

FRIEDA MOHR—42 in. EARLY FRAGRANT. A deep pink Iris of gigantic size and perfect form, the huge flowers being seven inches across. Nothing new has appeared that is equal to it in its class; in fact there is no other Iris like it. Besides huge flowers, perfect form, exquisite color, and aristocratic bearing, it also has a delicious Locust Fragrance, being one of the most fragrant of all Iris. Besides all this it has a very long flowering season, flowering with the earliest and continuing to flower with the latest. 30c each; 3 for 65c.

INDIAN CHIEF-40 in. Early. One of the most outstanding of the brilliant red-toned Irises. It is a huge brilliant red-toned Iris, of perfect form, good substance and very free flowering. 30c each.

JUNALUSKA—38 in. The falls are vivid velvety carmine of dazzling brilliance. The standards are a lovely rose and soft yellow blend, with threads of gold running through them. The flowers are of huge size, perfect form, heavy substance and very free flowering. 35c each; 3 for 70c.

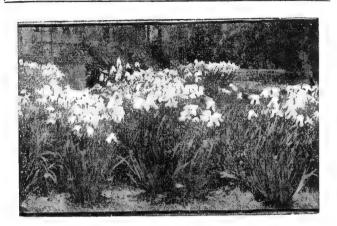


Zilke's Hardy Iris

#### OUTSTANDING 12 IRIS COLLECTION

1 Frieda Mohr. 1 Junaluska, 1 Rameses, 1 San Diego, 1 Phebus, 1 Depute Nomblot, 1 Evelyn Benson, 1 Sierre Blue, 1 Bruno, 1 Missouri, 1 Lady Paramount, 1 Monsignor.

SPECIAL SALE PRICE \$2.00, POSTPAID



SANTA BARBARA-40 in. One of the finest blues, of gigantic size.

LADY PARAMOUNT—44 in. Very emedium yellow. 30c each; 3 for 65c. Very early. Huge flowers. Best

MONSIGNOR-Upper petals are violet, lower petals rich blue. 30c each; 3 for 65c.

MISSOURI—44 in. Very fragrant. The outstanding Iris of the year. A large flower of true deep blue coloring and perfect form, with flaring yellow falls and excellent substance. Has every good quality. 35c each; 3 for 75c.

MILDRED PRESBY—30 in. There are only about half a dozen good white bi-colors and Mildred Presby is one of the best of them. The standards are creamy white and the falls are of a rich, deep, velvety pansy-violet. in striking contrast. 40c each.

MORNING SPLENDOR—The large flowers are of rich dubonnet red, perfectly formed, of heavy substance, delightfully fragrant, hardy and free flowering. The color is fiery red when the sun shines through it. 40c each; 3 for 85c.

MRS. VALERY WEST-40 in. Fragrant. It is an Iris of huge size, perfect form, heavy substance and nicely branched, in a rich brown-red and crimson blend. It leaves nothing to be desired in a perfect Iris. 35c each; 3 for 75c.

PLUIE D'OR (Golden Rain)—41 in. A fine deep clear tall yellow that is unsurpassed for landscape effect. A prodigious bloomer, entirely hiding the plant by its mass of flowers. 35c each; 3 for 65c.

PHEBUS-42 in. Well formed, smooth soft canary yellow. 30c each; 3 for 60c.

RAMESES 42 in. Rameses is a perfect flower in every way, in a blending of pink and soft yellow, with a pronounced yellow glow at the center. 35c each.

RUBEO-Very beautiful velvety red of colossal size. 40c each.

SHAH JEHAN—38 in. A multicolored Iris with seven distinct colors, but a flower of the greatest refinement notwithstanding its lavish colors. It is considered by many as one of the greatest achievements of Iris development. The standards are soft creamy buff, flushed soft lavender and suffused gray, fading to almost pure white as the flower ages. The falls are deep rich ruby-red, with a one-eighth inch white border. 40c each; 3 for 85c.

SAN DIEGO-Fine dark blue. 30c each; 3 for 65c.

SIERRA BLUE—50 in. An exceptionally smooth refined flower of clear blue, with heavy substance, immense size, perfect form and towering over four feet high. 40c each; 3 for 85c.

48 in. Fragrant. A perfect flower of gigantic size and one of the most prodigious bloomers. Considered one of the best blues and the most popular of all of the blue toned varieties to-day. 40c each; 3 for 85c,

TIFFANY-36 in. Plicata of yellow gaily stitched in burnished rosy bronze. Hardy and free blooming. 40c each; 3 for 85c.

WHITE NITE-Snow white with waxy texture flowers. 40c each; 3 for 85c.

ZUNI-40 in. Huge flowers of an unusual rich glowing red-brown color, suffused copper. The huge flowers are of the most perfect form, of very heavy substance and a rich velvety texture and nicely placed on tall branching stems. 50e each.

ZAHAROON-42 in. An indescribably beautiful blending of subtle soft pastel tints. 40c each; 3 for 65c.

## PARCEL POST RATE INSTRUCTIONS PLANTS

In small bundle shipments, prepaid parcel post is the cheapest way of shipping. By sending necessary amount for postage in advance you save the 25 cents C. O. D. fee collected by the Post Office Department on delivery. If you wish small shipments prepaid on items not listed as prepaid in our catalog, consult table at right, for correct amount needed for prepaid parcel post. Small shipments are cheapest by being prepaid. If you do not include postage with your remittance we shall assume that you want your stock shipped C. O. D. for postage charges. For postage rates, first look in which group you live, then consult the group at right for necessary postage, include this amount with your order and we will ship prehisa

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GROUP NO. 1	GROUP NO. 2
Iowa	Kansas
Illinois	Minnesota
Indiana	Missouri
Michigan	Nebraska
Ohio	New York
Wisconsin	New Jersey
Kentucky	Maryland
Rentucky	North Carolina

Delaware GROUP NO. 3 Penssylvania All other states not listed in the Tennessee W. Virginia other two groups.

## Virginia

NOTICE—1000 strawberry plants are cheaper by express, unless you live in the first group. 250 Red Raspberry, 250 Dewberry, 250 Blackberry or 200 Black Raspberry plants (all 1 yr. plants) can be shipped by parcel post, but it is the cheaper in most cases by express. More than 100, 2 yr. Transplants are shipped cheapest by express. More than 100, 1 yr. Grape, 50, 2 yr. Grape or 20, 3 yr. Grape plants are cheaper by express. More than 10 large shrubs or 10 4-6 ft. fruit trees are best by express. The above applies mostly in Groups 1 and 2, in the 3rd Group, less by parcel post and more by express for the cheapest rates. ALL EXPRESS SHIPMENTS ARE SENT EXPRESS CHARGES COLLECT.

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For 100 plants or less	.25	.35	.60
For 250 plants or less	.45	.60	1.25
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Climbing Vines. 1 yr. and 2 yr. Blueberry			
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18 to 24 inch Shrubs, 4 to 6 ft. Shade and Fruit Trees. 4 yr. and 5 yr. Blueberry plants.			
15 to 24 inch Proporage			
15 to 24 inch Evergreens	95	.50	.70
For 5 plants or less	.35 .50	.70	1.25
For 15 plants or less	.50	.10	1.40
WHENEVER POSSIBLE PARCEL POST	IS	THE	BEST
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IF WEIGHT IS LESS THAN 60 POUNDS OR IF ESTIMATED PARCEL POST IS \$1.50 OR LESS WE STRONGLY RECOM-MEND PARCEL POST.

## ORDERING INSTRUCTIONS

TERMS—Terms are cash for all orders under \$5.00 and all orders of \$5.00 or more will be booked if 25 per cent or more accompanies the order, balance before shipment or C. O. D.

REMITTANCE-We accept money orders, personal checks, registered cash by mail and good clean postage stamps.

SHIPPING SEASON—Plants are dug and shipped from about March 5th to May 20th, according to the weather conditions. At this time the plants are fully dormant and will carry well to any part of the country.

TRANSPORTATION AND CHARGES—Read parcel post rate instructions. For express shipment consult express notice.

FALL SHIPMENT-Fall shipments are made after October 5th to about December 15th, according to the weather conditions.

PACKING-No charges are made for wrapping and packing, which is done in the best possible manner. Plenty of damp moss and other materials are used to keep the plants in a perfect condition.

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS—Planting instructions are included free with each nursery stock shipment, if requested.

WHEN TO ORDER-As there may be a shortage of the particular varieties you want it is best to make up your order and send it in as quickly as possible. Stock will then be reserved and shipped at specified time.

REFERENCES—Thousands of satisfied customers: Also, State Savings Bank, Bridgman; American Railway Express Agent, Bridgman; Dun and Bradstreet.

INSPECTION-A certificate of inspection is attached to each nursery stock shipment that we make.

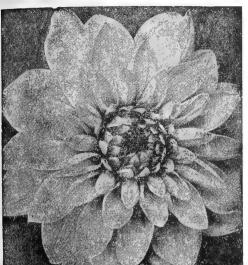
VERY IMPORTANT! Orders are acknowledged immediately by postal card, stating approximate shipping date.

#### ORDER SHIPPED, NOTICE

When order is shipped, you will receive notice by first class mail, including planting booklet. Order shipment notice is printed on yellow paper. If you find it necessary to write about your shipment, state your complaint on the back of this yellow sheet and send it to us with the shipping tag from your shipment. By having the yellow sheet and the shipping tag we are able to make an immediate adjustment.

# ZILKE'S BETTER DAHLIAS

Every tuber is guaranteed to be sound, carefully trimmed, no broken necks. We include free planting instructions with every Dahlia order.



Jane Cowl

#### 12 DAHLIAS FOR \$2.00

THIS IS A SPECIAL CLEAN UP PRICE

This special lot of Dahlias is made up of many varieties and also many New Giant Types, that sold for as much as \$1.00 each last spring. If you are interested in beautiful flowers and do not care about varieties, this is a real buy for you. You will be more than satisfied with this mixture.

12 MIXED DAHLIAS, \$2.00 POSTPAID

DETROITER—Very fine deep red. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25, Postpaid. JANE COWL-8-inch flowers; shades of orange, salmon, rosy-pink and yellow, blending in most delightful fashion. 40c each; 3 for \$1.00 Postpaid.

KAISER BEAUTY-Deep scarlet; very rigid stems. 40¢ each; 3 for \$1.00 Postpaid.

MARGARET WOODROW WILSON—Beautiful blooms of creamy white. suffused with pink. 40¢ each; 3 for \$1.00 Postpaid.

MRS. I. DE VER WARNER-Large, bright lilac-pink. 40¢ each; 3 for \$1.00 Postpaid.

PRIDE OF STRATFORD—Shades of orange, red and yellow. 35c each; 3 for 95c Postpaid.

ROSE GLORY-Rose-lavender, 50c each; 3 for \$1.40, Postpaid.

RED GIANT-Midseason. Very large, double bright red bloom. 40¢ each; 3 for \$1.00 Postpaid.

WHITE FAWN-Waxy white 3-inch bloom. Fine cut flower. 40¢ each; 3 for \$1.60 Postpaid.

YELLOW KING-Midseason. A very popular bright yellow. 50c each; 3 for \$1.35 Postpaid.

## ZILKE'S BETTER CANNAS

Plant these delightful flowers in beds or in a border and you will have a brilliant display of color all summer and fall. Plant 18 inches apart each way. Plant in full sunlight, and do not plant too early. We ship you large individual tubers, which will grow quickly and produce an abundance of bloom. We list six of the best kinds grown today, as follows:

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THE PRESIDENT—(4 ft. tall) Glowing scarlet, extra large trusses of brilliant color. The finest red canna of today. Green foliage.

CITY OF PORTLAND—The leading pink, green foliage. 4 feet tall. Large flowers of watermelon-pink conceded THE pink.

Margaret Woodrow Wilson MME. CROZY-A dwarf. One of the finest Little Cannas. Large heads of red with variegated border one-eighth inch wide of orange, green foliage. WYOMING-5-ft. Purple foliage. True-orchid flowering variety with magnificent orange colored flowers. FLORENCE VAUGHAN-Medium. Flowers yellow with red spots on petals,

and red throat. Green foliage. LOUISE CAYEUX-Medium. A giant flowered bright rosy scarlet, different from all others. Green foliage.



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#### CORRECT PLANTING BOOKLET

Sixteen pages of valuable information on planting, pruning and general care of plants, shrubs, trees. etc. Everyone interested in plants should have this book. Supply limited.

Price 25c. FREE if included with order.

#### **TUBEROSES**

#### AN UNUSUAL VALUE **NEW MEXICAN**

This charming single pure white Tuberose begins to flower in July and continues throughout the season, each bulb throwing from 2 to 5 flower spikes in succession. Delightfully fragrant. Store the bulbs just like Gladioli over winter.

6 Bulbs for \$1.50 Postpaid.



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# Zilke Brothers Nursery Baroda, Michigan

	Ship to (Name)
	Post Office(State)
	R. F. D Box No Street and No
	If by Express, ship to (County)
	Shipping Date—Please Check Date Shipment Is Wanted. Ship by
	☐ March 5 to 15 ☐ April 1 to 15 ☐ May 1 to 10 ☐ Fall shipment when ☐ March 15 to 31 ☐ April 16 to 30 ☐ Soon as possible ready  Shall we substitute if necessary? Answer yes or no
1	WE INCLUDE PLANTING GUIDE FREE WITH ORDER

Quantity	Name of Stock Wanted	Color If Any	State Size or Age	Price
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# The "Miracle Plant Food"

# Ra-Pid-Gro

A complete, quickly available, easily prepared plant food by merely adding one pound of RA-PID-GRO to 22 gallons of water

## **WHAT IS A RA-PID-GRO?**

RA-PID-GRO is a complete concentrated plant food formula. Easily made into an immediately effective liquid fertilizer by simply adding water. It will speed up growth of plants now in place and will assure more successful transplanting of new plants.

#### **HOW IS IT USED?**

RA-PID-GRO is so easily prepared for use. Just add water at the rate of 1 lb. of RA-PID-GRO to 22 gallons of water. Allow to dissolve and it's ready for use. Apply around each plant according to directions on the bag. For use on small numbers of plants mix at the rate of a teaspoonful to the quart of water. Also very valuable for use when transplanting. Dip plants in solution for 3 or 4 minutes, then set in place and water with remainder of liquid. Practically eliminates losses.

### WHAT WILL IT DO?

**RA-PID-GRO** will work almost unbelievable miracles in promoting rapid and healthy growth on all types of plants. Use it on lawns, around shade trees, evergreens, shrubs, roses, perennials, vegetables and house plants. Many times plants which have been given up for dead will respond to applications of **RA-PID-GRO**. All the vital plant food elements are present in this remarkable discovery and since it is applied in liquid form, are readily available to the roots of the plant.

## **HOW DOES ITS COST COMPARE WITH OTHER FERTILIZERS?**

RA-PID-GRO is less expensive than other fertilizers. In the larger quantities it makes your fertilizer cost about ½ cent per pound as against a cost of about 3 cents per pound for average fertilizers. Remember, 1 pound of RA-PID-GRO makes 176 pounds of rich and complete plant food.

## KEEPS INDEFINITELY IF STORED IN A DRY PLACE

ALL PRICES ARE DELIVERED

	\$1.25
2 pounds Ra-Pid-Gro makes 44 gallons)	\$2.35
5 pounds Ra-Pid-Gro (makes 110 gallons)	\$4.50
10 pounds Ra-Pid-Gro (makes 220 gallons)	\$8.75
25 pounds Ra-Pid-Gro (makes 550 gallons)	21.00

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Why not show your neighbor your copy of Zilke's Catalog. Include his order with yours, thus getting cheaper prices because of larger quantities. We guarantee satisfaction, see pages 3 and 4. By ordering from Zilke's remember you are buying direct from the growers and not dealers or jobbers.

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# Zilke Brothers Nursery Baroda, Michigan

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## **Blood-Leaf Ornamental** Something new in an ornamental tree.

The Sensational New

Many ornamental trees have been offered with colored foliage, but never a Blood Leaf peach tree with BEAUTIFUL RED FOLIAGE - bright red early in the spring, gradually dulling to a deep maroon towards fall. Its pink blossoms against the red foliage create a most pleasing contrast with your other plantings.

Prices: 2 YR. TREES, 3-4 FT. \$1.25 EACH; 4-5 FT. \$1.75; 5-6 FT. \$2.75; 6-8 FT. \$3.95.

## CRIMSON KING MAPLE

Red Leaf Peach

(The Red Norway Maple)

Crimson King originated in Norway. Crimson King grows identical with the common maple, and to the same size, but is covered with extremely blood-red leaves the entire year, has proven to be entirely hardy. For description see Page 36.

Prices: 4 to 5 foot trees \$4.00 EACH

## Pink Flowering DOGWOOD

The large, reddish pink flowers produce a contrast of loveliness against the fresh new green of an early lawn. Its deep green foliage turns to a rich bronzy red in the autumn.

Prices: TRANSPLANTED 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  to 2 Ft. \$1.75; 2 to 3 Ft. \$2.35

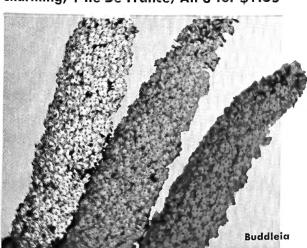


Crimson King Maple

## **BUDDLEIA** (Summer Lilac)

Masses of tall, stately flowers. Beautiful colors that brighten your garden. Bloom from July to late Fall. Very hardy. See Page 31.

SPECIAL BUDDLEIA OFFER: 1 Orchid Beauty, 1 Pink Charming, 1 He De France; All 3 for \$1.65



Orchid Beauty Pink Charming Ile De France



